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Boxford April 9th 1881

William P. Kimball

1857. At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford duly qualified to vote for town officers and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said Town on Monday the second day of March, A.D. 1857.

Chose	Moses Dorman	Moderator
Chose	William H. Wood	Town Clerk
Chose	John P. Kimball	Selectmen
"	William C. Killam	
"	William A. Cornish	
Chos	William H. Howe	Constables
"	Samuel Stone	
Chos	William C. Killam	Surveyors
"	Jefferson Kimball	
"	John C. Ch. Jr.	
"	David Hale	
"	William R. Cole	
"	William R. Kimball	
"	Jonathan P. Perley	
"	John Bridget	
Chos	Moses Dorman	Field Drivers
"	Joseph K. Foster	
"	[illegible]	
"	William Kimball	
"	Benjamin Hodgkins	
"	Moses A. Carter	
"	Walter Brown	

Chose	Benjamin F. Peabody	Field Drivers
"	William R. Kimball	
"	Harrison C. Ross	
"	John Day, Jr.	
"	Henry Barker	
"	Daniel F. Harriman	
"	John Hale, Jr	
"	Solomon Lowe	

Chose	Benjamin S. Barnes	Fence Viewers
"	Levi Lowe	
"	Solomon Lowe	
"	William R. Kimball	
"	Daniel F. Harriman	
"	Thomas J. Hay	

Chose	Isaac Hale	Surveyors of Highways
"	Henry A. Towne	
"	Levi Shepard, 2d	
"	Moses B. Rust	
"	Ivan Andrews	
"	Benjamin Barnes	
"	Samuel Perley, Jr	
"	Daniel Andrews	
"	Richard F. Gurley	
"	Charles Pearl	
"	Asa Kimball	
"	Harrison C. Ross	
"	Marshall P. Carlton	
"	Francis Warden	
"	Charles Perley	
"	William H. Munday	
"	Augustus Hayward	
"	Calvin Hubbard	
"	Daniel F. Harriman	
"	Benjamin S. Barnes	

Chosen	[illegible] Howe	Surveyors of Lumber
"	Gideon Andrews	
"	Augustus Hayward	
"	Samuel Kimball	
"	Edward G. Batchelder	
"	Samuel A. Ayers	
"	Isaac Day	
"	Daniel H. Harriman	
"	Jonathan N. Porter	
"	Orville L. Howe	
"	John Pearl	
"	John Day Jr.	
Chosen	George Bragg	Measurers of Wood and Bark
"	Isaac N. Pearl	
"	William J. Savage	
"	John Hatch	
"	Joshua H. Day	
"	Benjamin F. Peabody	
"	Thomas Lee Stafford	
"	Samuel Bixbie	
Chosen	John Hale	Sealers of Leather
"	Primus P. Tyler	
Chosen	William H. Howe	Pound Keepers
"	Orville L. Howe	

Voted: To choose a Select Committee of Five Citizens

Voted: To adjourn the meeting an hour

1857

Afternoon Session

The qualified Voters met according to adjournment and proceeded to business

Voted — To suspend action on the first part of the 3rd article for the present

Voted — That each school district be allowed to choose their own Prudential Committee

Voted — That each school district be allowed to divide their proportion of the school money as they think proper, for summer & winter schools

Voted — To accept the report of the Auditors

Voted — To accept the report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Posts and Boards

Voted — To accept the report of the Committee appointed by the Town to take the Care and management of the Estate devised to the Town by the Hon. Mason Wood Esq. also to receive the portion of the surplus Revenue

Voted — To pass over the 4th article in the warrant for the present

Voted — That Town Officers for the Current year bring in their bills to the Town for allowance

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Moses Dorman for services as one of the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, including two journeys to Salem and one to Newburyport. Cash paid for Sundry Articles $60,54

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Moses Dorman for cash delivered to John O'Brien $4,75

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Moses Dorman for cash paid with J. Lord for counsel relating the assessment of Rob. Tyler $3,00

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Geo. F. Kimball for services as committee on roads for the year 1856 $5,

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Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Geo. F. Kimball for services as auditor and cash paid for printing Report $11,50

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Moses Dorman for cash paid John Pope for damage sustained on account of the condition of the road near Emerson's $2,00

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Peter Dean for returning six Deaths to the Town Clerk ,60

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Wm. F. Howe for returning seven Deaths to the Town Clerk ,70

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Daniel F. Harriman for journey to Salem to pay County Tax $1,5

1857

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by John Peabody for service as Auditor $3.00

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by George Pearl for service as Selectman Assessor & Overseer of the Poor $25.75

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by John Peabody for service as Constable $6.50

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Wm E. Killam for service as Town Clerk and Incidental expenses $20.35

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Benjn Woodbury for service as constable $4.

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Wm R. Cole for service as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor $33.50

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Moses Kimball for service as Committee on school funds two years $6.00

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Wm E. Killam for service as Treasurer & Incidental expenses $16.75

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Wm E. Killam for school Books furnished John Brown 1855 .66

Voted | To allow a bill of charge presented by J. C. Foster and Richard Spofford for repairing Bridge and furnishing material near the house of Richard Spofford $2,

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Voted | To allow a bill of charge presented by Sylvia F. Jones For labor on Bridge near the house of G. Peabody $1,87½

Voted | To allow the following bills for pathing Snow

" To	Joseph H Jones Surveyor of Highways	$18,75
"	Moses Dorman " " "	5,94
"	Thomas S. Hovey " " "	22,66
"	Amos Stevens " " "	30,92
"	John Peabody " " "	27,62
"	George W. Chadwick " " "	21,86
"	Amos Berry " " "	11,06½
"	J. C. Foster " " "	26,75
"	Oliver P. Killam " " "	31.74
"	Charles F Spofford " " "	16,69
"	Thomas B. Parker " " "	16,81
"	Valorous V. Moulton " " "	25,50
"	Charles C. Foster " " "	30,70

Voted | To take up the third article in the Warrant

Chose | Rev. William S. Coggin
" Calvin C. Park
John F. Kimball } School Committee

Voted | That the Surveyors of Highways when the roads are incumbered with snow be directed to break them out eight feet wide, and that twelve and a half cents per hour be allowed for a

1857 man, and twelve and a half cents per hour for a Yoke of oxen while employed under the direction of a Surveyor of Highways and that all bills be presented to the Town for allowance by said Surveyors

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Voted To raise seven hundred dollars for the support of schools the current year

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Voted That two hundred dollars be added to the above vote for the support of schools

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Voted That all money raised and appropriated for the use of schools the current year be divided equally among the seven school districts

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Voted To abate the following Taxes in Collector Wm C. Killam's lists of 1855 & 1856

Joshua B. Brown in list of 1855	$2,43
James Bently " " " "	1,77
Samuel Shepard Highway deficiency 1855	,66
Thomas J. Mead in list of 1856	2,52
Alfred Zelso " " " "	7,06

Voted To abate one half the tax on real estate set to Henry Barker - one half the tax on real estate set to Seth Burnham, - one half the tax on real estate set to Rebecca F. Robinson - and one third of the tax on real estate set to the Heirs of Jonathan Andrew, and Isaac W. Andrew - all in Collector Danl Wasseman's list of 1856

Voted | To raise eight hundred dollars for repairing the High-ways and Bridges the current year

Voted | To allow a man while working on the Highways twelve and a half cents per hour; for a yoke of oxen twelve and a half cents, - for a Horse & cart twelve and a half cents, for an ox shovel twelve and a half cents, for a Plough twelve and a half cents, and for an ox Cart five cents per hour while used on said Highway

Voted | To raise the sum of two thousand dollars to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the Town the current year

Voted | To let out the collecting of the Taxes the current year to the lowest bidder in two lists

The South list was bid off by Wm C. Killam at one and one eighth per cent.

The North list was bid off by Wm H. Wood at one per cent

Voted | To take up the second article in the Warrant

Chose | Wm C. Killam Collector of Taxes for the South district
" | Wm H. Wood " " " " " North "

Chose | Wm H. Wood } Treasurer

Voted That the Taxes be committed to the Collectors within three days of the first day of September next

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Voted That the town authorize the Collectors to collect one half of all Taxes on or before the first day of October next, and the other half (at their pleasure) on or before the first day of December next

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Voted To accept the following list of names for jurors

Isaac W. Andrew	Ancill Dorman
Samuel Bixby	Wm H. Herrick
Daniel Bixby	Daniel F. Harriman
Benjamin S Barnes	Charles F. Kimball
Wm A. Cleaveland	John A. Kimball
David M. Cole	George H. Pearl
John K. Cole	Thomas Sawyer
Samuel B. Carlton	Enoch Wood

Voted That the Selectmen be a committee to collect the amount of one hundred and ten dollars and fifty cents, of the inhabitants and land set off from Boxford to Groveland, agreeably to the provisions of an act to set off a part of the Town of Boxford and annex the same to the Town of Groveland, Approved March 21. 1856

Voted To pass over the 20th article in the warrant

Voted That the Overseers of the Poor be authorized to sell as much wood on the Town farm as they may think proper, and in such manner as they may think best

Voted to take up the third article in the Warrant

Wm. R. Cole declined serving as one of the school Committee.

Chose John H. Kimball one of the school Committee instead of Wm. R. Cole declined

Voted to dissolve the Meeting.

William H. Wood } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, qualified by the Constitution to vote for Senators and Representatives to the General Court of said Commonwealth, holden in the Vestry in the second Parish in said Boxford on Friday the first day of May A.D. 1857. being the first Friday in said month, for the purpose of giving in their votes by ballot; for or against three proposed articles of Amendments to the Constitution of the State of Massachusetts.

The whole number of persons who gave in their votes was ascertained as by law directed and the whole number of ballots was forty three and the whole number of votes were received, sorted, counted and record and declaration thereof made in open Town meeting as by law directed and were as follows

Article First		Yes	Forty one
"	"	No	Two
Article Second		Yes	Forty one
"	"	No	Two
Article Third		Yes	Forty
"	"	No	Three

Voted To dissolve the meeting

William H. Wood } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified by the Constitution, to vote for Representatives to the General Court of said Commonwealth, holden in the Vestry in the second Parish in said Boxford, on Tuesday the third day of November A.D. 1857, being the first Tuesday in said month, for the purpose of giving in their votes to the Selectmen — for a Governor, and a Lieutenant Governor of this Commonwealth, — for one Senator for the third district in the County of Essex, for one Councillor for Council District No. 2, for Secretary of State, for Treasurer and Receiver General of this Commonwealth, for Attorney General, for Auditor of Accounts, and for one Representative to the General Court, for North Andover District No. 20, all on one Ballot. Also at the same time on a separate ballot for one County Commissioner and for a Register of Probate for the County of Essex.

At the expiration of two hours from the opening of the Polls, the Town Voted to close the Polls

The whole number of persons who gave in their votes was ascertained as by law directed, and the whole number of ballots was

and the whole number of votes were received, sorted, counted and record and declaration thereof made in open Town meeting as by law directed and were as follows, —

[illegible]

For Governor

[illegible] number of votes eighty seven

Henry J. Gardner of Boston Fifty nine

Nathaniel P. Banks of Waltham Twenty five

Erasmus D. Beach of Springfield Three

For Lieutenant Governor

The whole number of Ballots Eighty eight

Alexander De Witt of Oxford Fifty nine

Elisphalet Trask of Springfield Twenty six

Albert Courrier of Newburyport Three

For Secretary of State

Whole number of ballots Ninety
Benjamin F. Allen of Boston Fifty-nine
Oliver Warner of Northampton Twenty eight
Jonathan E. Field of Stockbridge Three

For Treasurer and Receiver General

Whole number of ballots Ninety
Timothy Ingraham of New Bedford Fifty Eight
Moses Tenney Jr. of Georgetown Twenty nine
Charles Thompson of Charlestown Three

For Auditor of Accounts

Whole number of Ballots Ninety
Chandler R. Ransom of Roxbury Fifty-nine
Charles White of Worcester Twenty seven
Seymour L. Meade of Nantucket Three

For Attorney General

Whole number of ballots Ninety
John H. Clifford of New Bedford Sixty one
Stephen H. Phillips of Salem Twenty six
Ezra Wilkinson of Dedham Three

For Councillor for District No. 2

Whole number of ballots Ninety
Daniel P. Pike, of Newburyport Fifty nine
George Coggswell of Bradford Twenty eight
William Nutting Jr. of Marblehead Three

For Senator for Essex District No. 3

Whole number of ballots Eighty nine
John Gale of Lawrence Fifty nine
J. H. Ingalls of Methuen Twenty seven
E. J. M. Hale of Haverhill Three

For Representative to General Court for Sixth Andover District No. 26.

Whole number of ballots Eighty five
Enoch Wood of Boxford Fifty seven
Ancill Dorman of Boxford Twenty eight

For County Commissioner for the County of Essex

Whole number of Ballots Eighty five
George Wilson of Marblehead Sixty
James Kimball of Salem Twenty five
Alfred Kittredge of Haverhill

For Register of Probate for Essex County

Whole number of ballots Eighty seven
James Ropes of Salem Sixty seven
E. A. Ingalls of Lynn
Charles H. Hudson of Newburyport Twenty

Voted to dissolve the Meeting.

William G. Ward Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the qualified Voters of the Town of Boxford held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said town on Tuesday the third day of November A.D. 1857

Chose | John Peabody } Moderator

Voted | To allow the following bills for pathing Snow

To	George B. Killam	Surveyor of Highways	—		$30.35
"	Joshua T. Day	"	"	"	19,68
"	John L. Killam	"	"	"	19,37
"	Jonathan Pearson	"	"	"	26,87
"	Sylvester Cummings	"	"	"	23,78
"	Henry Janes	"	"	"	21,90

Voted | To allow a bill of charge presented by William R. Cole for services as one of the School Committee $54,00

Voted | To allow a bill of charge presented by Samuel Perley for service as Committee on funds $3,00

Voted | To allow a bill of charge presented by Samuel Andrews for two years service as committee on funds $6,00

Voted | To allow a bill of charge presented by Samuel Perley to building passways to his land near rock brook and to a pasture not described $20,00

Voted | To allow a bill of charge presented by John Peabody for notifying Town Officers $2,00

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Jonathan Parson for railing & repairing bridges and repairing Highway $5.30

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Ephraim Allen for services as committee on roads in 1856 $2.00

Voted To dissolve the Meeting

William H. Todd Town Clerk

1856 | At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified by the Constitution to Vote for Senators and Representatives to the General Court of said Commonwealth, holden in the Vestry in the second Parish in said Boxford on Thursday the eighth day of January A.D. 1856, being the first Thursday in said month for the purpose of giving in their votes to the Selectmen by ballot for one Representative to represent them in the Congress of the United States of America for the remainder of the term of ~~two years~~, from the fourth day of March 1857.

At the expiration of two hours from the opening of the Polls the Town voted that the Polls be closed

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The whole number persons who gave in their votes was ascertained as by law directed, and the whole number of ballots was Thirty one and the whole number of votes were received, sorted, counted, and record and declaration thereof made in open Town Meeting as by law directed and were as follows.

For Representative to Congress, District No. Seven.

Whole number of ballots Thirty one

Daniel W. Gooch of Melrose	Twenty six	26
George Osborne of South Danvers	Five	5

Voted | That that this meeting be dissolved

[illegible]

1858

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford duly qualified to vote for town officers and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the first Parish in said Town on Monday, the first day of March AD. 1858

Chose	Moses Dorman	Moderator
Chose	Wm E Killam	Town Clerk
Chose	Wm E Killam	Selectmen
"	John P. Kimball	
"	William R Cole	
Chose	John Peabody	Constables
"	Samuel Morse	
Chose	William A Howe	Tythingmen
"	Amos Stevens	
"	Samuel B Carlton	
"	William R Cole	
Chose	Moses Dorman	Field Drivers
"	Joseph H. Jones	
"	William H Munday	
"	Walter French	
"	William R Wilkins	
"	Joseph N. Pope	
"	John Hale, jr	
"	Joseph K Farley	
"	William R Kimball	
"	Charles O Foster	
"	Thomas E Stafford	
"	Valorus V Moulton	
"	Harrison C Roff	

1857

Chose	[illegible] Bean	Fence Viewers
"	Ancill Dorrian	
"	Dean Andrews	
"	William R. Kimball	
"	John Day, jr	
"	John F. Kimball	

Chose	Samuel Goodale	Surveyors of Highways
"	George Perley	
"	Samuel Fowler	
"	John Jones	
"	Nathaniel Smith	
"	George Stetson	
"	Edward G. Batchelder	
"	Leander Perley	
"	William Sawyer	
"	John F. Kimball	
"	John Blodgett	
"	Robert B. Anderson	
"	Elijah Stiles	
"	Samuel Bixby	
"	George W. Chadwick	
"	John Gould	
"	John Sawyer	
"	Benjamin Woodbury	
"	Thomas B. Parker	
"	Amos. Stevens	

Chose	Daniel Andrews	Surveyors of Lumber
"	Augustus Hayward	
"	William Howe	
"	Jonathan J. Porter	
"	Orville L. Hovey	
"	John Bird	
"	Samuel Kimball	
"	Joshua J. Day	

1858

Chose	Daniel F. Harriman	Surveyors of Lumber
"	John Day jr	
"	John Hale jr	
"	Samuel N. Ayers	

Chose	John Hale 2d	Measurers of Wood and Bark
"	Samuel Kirby	
"	William R. Kimball	
"	George F. Pearl	
"	Jefferson Kimball	
"	Oliver P. Killam	
"	William Chase	
"	George Pearl	

Chose	John Hale	Sealers of Leather
"	Nathan K. Fowler	

Chose	Orville L. Harry	Pound Keepers
"	John Cheill	

Voted To chose a School Committee of three persons

Chose	John F. Kimball to stand three years	School Committee
"	William E. Killam to stand two years	
"	William R. Cole to stand one year	

Voted To allow each School District to chose their own Prudential Committee

Voted To grant the Prudential Committee the privilege of hiring their own teachers

Voted To allow each School District to divide their proportion of the School money as they think proper for Summer and Winter terms of School

Voted To accept the Report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Posts and Boards

Voted To accept the report of the Committee appointed by the Town to take the care and management of the Estate devised to the Town by the Hon Aaron Wood Esqr. Also the Town protection of the Surplus Revenue

Voted To accept the Report of the School Committe

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by William H. Wood for services as Town Clerk the past year and incidental expense $31.32

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by William H. Wood for services as Treasurer &c the past year $7.00

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by William R. Cole for services as one of the School Commitee the past year $18.75

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Wm E. Killam for services as one of the School Committee the past year $14.75

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by John P. Kimball for services as Chairman of the School Committee the past year $44.35

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by John P. Kimball for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year including journey to Salem & postage and cash paid for postage Stationery &c $64.50

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by John P. Kimball for services in defending suit commenced against him about the Town house $40.00

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Wm E. Kittredge for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the poor and cash paid for printing the past year $27.10

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Wm H. Terrill for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the poor the past year including journey to Haverhill Gardner and Andover $31.10

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by William A. Howe for notifying the Town meeting 2.00 to returning thirteen death 1.50 $3.50

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Geo. P. Carleton for returning ten deaths to the Town Clerk $1.00

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Samuel Morse for notifying town officers Representatives to General Court and Town meetings $4.50

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by H. McKillop for Cash paid F. H. Stimpson Esq. for advice in regard to Taxes $3.00

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Moses Kimball for services as one of the Committee on School Funds for the year ending Feb 17. 1858 $3.00

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Samuel Andrews for services as one of the Committee on School Funds for the year ending Feb. 18. 1858 $2.00

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Samuel Riley for services as one of the Committee on School funds for the year ending Feb 18. 1858 $3.00

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Daniel Andrews for Stringers and Plank to repair Bridge near his mill $8.62

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by William H. Munday (convict at maybe) for extra work on the highways $7.79

Voted To allow bill of charge presented by Daniel J. Goodell for pathing Snow in winter of 1857 $3.75

Voted That John F. Kimball be instructed to carry on the suit commenced against him relating to the Chadwick-house as far as he thinks best or until the Town shall take some further order on the subject

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Voted That Town Officers for the current year present their bills to the Town for allowance

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Voted That the Surveyors of Highways when the roads are incumbered with snow be directed to break them out eight feet wide and that twelve and a half cents per hour be allowed for a man and twelve and a half cents per hour for a Yoke of oxen while employed under the direction of a Surveyor of Highways, and that all bills be presented to the Town for allowance by the Surveyors

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Voted To raise nine hundred dollars for the support of Schools the current year

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Voted That all School money be divided equally among the seven School Districts

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Voted To raise eight hundred dollars for repairing the Highways and Bridges the current year

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Voted To allow a man while working on the Highways twelve and a half cents per hour; for a yoke of oxen twelve and half cents; for a Horse and cart twelve and a half cents; for any Hand

twelve and a half cents; for a Plough twelve and a half cents; and for an ox cart five cents per hour while used on said Highways

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Voted To raise the sum of fifteen hundred dollars to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the Town the ensuing year

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Voted That the Taxes be committed to the Collector within three days of the first day of September next and that a discount of three per cent be allowed on all taxes paid into Treasury within thirty days; and two percent on all paid within sixty days next after the date of the Tax bill; and after the expiration of ninety days all Taxes shall be collected forthwith

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Voted To accept the following list of names for Jurors

Silas Andrews	Jefferson Kimball
Daniel Bixby	Charles F. Kimball
William A. Cleaveland	Samuel Killam
David M Cole	Charles Perley
Ansell Foman	George F. Pearl
George W. Chadwick	Charles T. Spofford
Orville L. Harvey	Thomas Sawyer
William H. Herrick	Nathan Towne

Voted That the Committee on the Bacon case bring the same to trial as soon as maybe

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Voted To abate two dollars and eight cents of the tax set to Jonathan Porter in Collector D. F. Harriman's list of 1856

Voted To pass over the 14th article of the warrant

Voted To abate the Tax set to Benjamin Bixby, in Collector Killam's list of 1856 also the Taxes set to Richard McLaughlin, Charles Well, A. B. Pealody and Nathan A Stout in said Killam's list of 1857

Voted That the Selectmen pay five hundred dollars of the Town debt

Voted That the Surveyors of Highways be required to cause at least four fifths of the amount of Taxes committed to them to be worked out on or before the first day of July following, and that they be required to present their Tax lists to the Selectmen for inspection at that time, and that the remaining fifth part be worked out on or before the first day of October following

Voted To accept the report of the Overseers of the Poor

Voted To take up the 2d article of the Warrant

Chose William E Killam Treasurer & Collector

Voted To allow the Treasurer and Collector forty dollars for services the current year

Voted That the School Committee be instructed to print and circulate their report

Voted To dissolve this meeting

Wm E Killam } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bofford duly qualified to vote in town affairs held in the Vestry in the first Parish in said Bofford on Tuesday the second day of November A.D. 1858

Chose William R Cole Moderator

Voted To accept of the doings of the Selectmen relative to the widening of the road petitioned for by B S Barnes and others provided the owners of the land will accept of the damages awarded by the Selectmen which was as follows. The following are the minutes of the widening of the road leading from the corner near the house Amos Stevens by the house of Benjamin S Barnes as laid out by the Selectmen Oct 27th 1858 Beginning at a stake by the wall in front of Said Barnes house on the South side of the road and running South 61 degrees and 45 minutes West three rods and twenty links in land of Said Barnes to a stake thence South 58 degrees 30 minutes west 5 rods and 2 links to a stake, thence South 56 degrees West 6 rods and 13 links to a stake thence South 53 degrees west 11 rods and 6 links to the wall between land of said Barnes and John Hale Thence through land of said Hale South 52 degrees west 41 rods and 9 links to a stake by the fence near the house of Amos Stevens thence in same course about one rod through land of Said Barnes to the road. Laying the road about three rods wide This proposed alteration requires Mr Barnes to move 26 rods and 16 links of his wall and takes from him thirty Square rods of land and the subscribers have awarded him twenty dollars for damage It also requires Mr Hale to move 41 rods and nine links of his wall and takes from him 48 Square rods of land and we have awarded him twenty eight dollars as damage

Bofford Oct 27th 1858

Wm E Killam, John F Kimball, Wm R Cole } Selectmen Bofford

Voted To dissolve the meeting

Wm E Killam } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified, as by the Constitution required to vote for Civil officers holden in the Vestry in the First Parish in said Boxford on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November being the second day of said month in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight; for the purpose of giving in their votes to the Selectmen - for a Governor and Lieutenant Governor of this Commonwealth for Secretary of State for Treasurer for Attorney General for one Councillor for Council District No 2 for Auditor of accounts for one Senator for the third District in the County of Essex for one Representative to the next General Court for North Andover Dis-No 20 for Representative in 36th Congress of U S of America for a Register of Probate and Insolvency for the County of Essex for a Register of Deeds for a County Treasurer and for one Commissioner for the County of Essex all on one ballot:

Voted At the expiration of two hours from the opening of the polls to close the Poll

The whole number of ballots given in was ninety seven

The said ballots were sorted, counted and recorded and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution is directed; and were for the following persons, viz.

For Governor

Whole number of ballots Ninety five

Nathaniel P Banks of Waltham - sixty four

Amos A Lawrence of Brookline twenty three

Erasmus D Beach of Springfield - eight

For Lieutenant Governor

Whole number of ballots ninety five
Eliphalet Trask of Springfield sixty four
Increase Sumner of Great Barrington twenty three
Charles Thompson of Charlestown eight

For Secretary

Whole number of ballots ninety five
Oliver Warner of Northampton sixty four
Benjamin L Allen of Boston twenty three
John M Cole of Williamstown eight

For Treasurer

Whole number of ballots ninety five
Moses Tenney jr of Georgetown sixty four
Abram J Underwood of Milford twenty three
Silas Pierce of Boston eight

For Councillor for Dis-No 2

Whole number of ballots ninety six
George Coggswell of Bradford sixty five
Frederick T Coffin of Newburyport twenty three
William Nutting jr of Marblehead eight

For Attorney-General

Whole number of ballots ninety seven
Stephen H Phillips of Salem sixty six
Andrew A Richmond of Adams twenty three
Ezra Wilkinson of Dedham eight

For Senator for the third Dis. in the Co. of Essex
Whole number of ballots ninety four.
George L. Davis of North Andover eighty four
Elihu C. Baker of Medford & Eben D. Bailey of Haverhill one
Charles A. Welch of Waltham John Gale of Lawrence one
E. J. M. Hale of Haverhill eight

For Auditor of accounts
Whole number of ballots ninety six
Charles White of Worcester sixty five
Chandler R. Ranson of Roxbury twenty three
Seymour L. Mead of Nantucket eight

For Representative to General Court for N. Andover Dis. No. 20
Whole number of ballots ninety six
Samuel Raymond of North Andover sixty three
John C. Gage of North Andover thirty three

For Representative in 36th Congress of U. S. of America
Whole number of ballots ninety seven
Daniel W. Gooch of Melrose sixty six
Elihu C. Baker of Medford twenty three
Charles A. Welch of Waltham eight

For Register of Probate and Insolvency for Essex County
Whole number of ballots Seventy three
Abner C. Goodell of Lynn sixty five
E. A. Ingalls of Lynn eight

For Register of Deeds
Whole number of ballots Seventy three
Ephraim Brown of Salem Seventy three

For Treasurer for Essex County
Whole number of ballots Seventy three
Allen W Dodge of Hamilton Seventy three

For Commissioner for the County of Essex
Whole number of ballots ninety six
Ebenezer B Currier of Lawrence Sixty six
Dean Robinson of West Newbury thirty three

Wm E Killam } Town Clerk

1859.

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bradford duly qualified to vote for town Officers and in town affairs held in the vestry in the Second Parish in said Town on Monday the Seventh day of March A.D. 1859

Chose	Joshua T. Day	Moderator
Chose	Wm. R. Cole	Town Clerk
Chose	[illegible]	Tax Collectors and Assessors
Chose	[illegible]	Constables
Chose	William O. Killam Benj. F. Barnes [illegible] Peterson Kimball [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]	Sythingmen
Chose	David M. [illegible] Moses Gorman Joseph H. Jones Peterson Kimball Wm. R. Kimball [illegible] [illegible]	Field Drivers

[illegible]

[illegible] } Feast Divine

[illegible] } Feast Divine

[illegible] } Sutton

[illegible] } Hitchcock

Chose	David Andrews,	Managers of Election
	H. H. Young	
	Augustus Howard	
	Samuel Doty	
	John Pearl	
	George F. Foster	
	David Andrews	Members of Council
	Samuel Appers	
	Samuel Kimball	
	Jonathan H. Gore	
	Joshua S. Gay	
	Samuel H. Carriman	
Chose	Samuel S. Appers	Assessors
	George F. Pearl	
	John A. Foster	
	Franklin Jagues	
	Jos. Hale Jr.	Wood & Sealer
	William B. Kimball	
	George Doty	
	Richard Spofford	
Chose	John Tolles Jr.	Weigers of Leather
	William B. Fowler	
Chose	William H. Jones	Found Leipers
x	Lewis H. Gore	
	Aaron A. Parker	
Voted	to Choose Lime Auditors	
Chose	Amos S. Gay	Auditors
	Richard Spofford	
	Archer Foster	

x Excused

1857

Voted To choose a Water Committee Then

chose G. W. Wood Water Committee

Voted To accept the report of the Committee chosen to take the care and management of the Estate Devised to the Town by the late Lewis Wood Esq; and also the Town's proportion of the Lewis Revenue

Voted To accept the report of the selectmen relative to Swale Pond and Wells

Voted To allow the following Bills of Charge viz.

A bill presented by Jno. F. Tinkham for services done by the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past Year $35

One by Jno. F. Tinkham for services as Chairman of School Committee the past Year $36,50

One by Wm. E. Nelson for services as Selectman Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year including repairs &c. &c. allowance $45,31

One by Wm. O. Tilton for services done by the School Committee the past year $17,23

One by Wm. E. Cole for services as Selectman Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year $24,50

Voted to allow A bill presented by Mr. B. Cole for services as one of the School Committee the past year $ 15.50

One by John H. Kimball for services in defending Assessors and Collector of Taxes for the year 1857 in suit commenced against them by Nathan T. Fox $ 5.00

One by Samuel Morse for notifying Town Officers to take Oath and notifying Town Meetings the past year $ 3.00

One by John Peabody for notifying Town Officers to take the Oath and for notifying Town Meetings the past year $ 3.50

One by Simeon Perry for services as one of the Committee on Town funds the past year $ 3.00

One by Samuel Andrews for services as one of Committee on Town funds the past year $ 3.00

One by Moses Kimball for services as one of Committee on Town funds the last year $ 3.00

One by Wm. E. Nillson for services as Town Clerk the past year moving Town $ 20.28

One by Wm. A. Howe for returning 7 deaths $ 70

One by John Sawyer for Town Repair Bridge near the house of John Cole $ 7.75

Voted to allow the bill presented by Leander Perley for Planking a Bridge $3,00 and for Putting snow $2,00 $ 5,00

Voted To allow a bill presented by Robert B. Anderson for Extra labor on Highways $ 12,30 and for Putting snow $ 3,25 ..... $ 15,55

Voted To allow a bill presented by Samuel Morse for killing a Dog ..... $,50

Voted To allow the following bills for Putting snow

Isaac Adams	$ 2,06
Ira Sawyer	1,50
Elijah Stiles	5,75
Charles A. Spofford	1,50
Samuel Tripp	4,25
George H. Goldsmith	4,87
Amos Stephens	4,56
Aaron Spofford	1,50
William Sawyer	6,00
George Foley	3,36
Samuel Goodale	2,27
John H. Kimball	3,38
George Wilson	5,01
Ben. Woodbury	7,97½
Samuel B. Carleton	1,87½
Joshua T. Day	1,62
Edward G. Batchelder	4,52

Voted To pass over the 4 articles of the warrant

Voted That Surveyors of Highways when the roads are encumbered with snow be directed to break them out eight feet wide, and that twelve and a half cents per. hour be allowed for a man and twelve and a half cents per. hour be allowed for a Yoke of Oxen while Employed under the direction of a Surveyor and that all bills for such service be presented to the Town for allowance by said Surveyors.

Voted To allow the Prudential Committee of Each school District to contract with the Teachers for said Districts

Voted To allow the several school Districts to divide their proportion of the school Money as they may think proper for the support of the summer and winter terms of School

Voted To raise nine hundred dollars for the support of Schools the Current Year.

Voted That all the school money be appropriated Equally among the several School Districts

Voted To raise Eight hundred dollars for repairing the Highways and Bridges the current year and to allow a man while working on the Highways twelve and a half cents per hour for a Yoke of Oxen twelve & a half cents for a horse and horse cart twelve and a half cents, for an op-shovel twelve and a half cents for a Hoe twelve and a half cents and for an Op cart five cents per. hour while used on said Highways

1854

Voted To raise fifteen hundred dollars to defray the annual expenses of the Town. The same [illegible]

Voted That the Taxes be committed to the Collector within three days. The first day of Sept. next and that a discount of three per. cent be allowed on all Taxes paid into the Treasury within thirty days, and two per. cent on all paid within sixty days next after the date of the Tax lists, and after the expiration of sixty days all Taxes shall be collected forthwith

Voted To accept the following list of names or [illegible]

Isaac W. Andrew	Ezekiel Kimball
Daniel W. Conant	Charles F. [illegible]
William H. Cleaveland	Samuel Killam
David M. Cole	Charles Perley
Israel Gorman	George F. [illegible]
Geo. W. Chadwick	Charles A. Spofford
Orrin L. Foss	[illegible]
[illegible]	Peter [illegible]

Voted To pass over the 16th article

Voted That the collector be instructed to collect the Tax set to Wm. Munday

Voted That the disposal of wood on the Town farm be left discretionary with the overseers of the poor

Voted That the Treasurer be instructed to pay seven hundred dollars of the Town debt

Voted To accept the report of the Treasurer [illegible]

Voted That the Town meetings be held in the West Parish this year and in the East Parish next year on the most favorable terms that may be.

Voted To reconsider the vote whereby the Collector was instructed to collect the Tax set to Wm. Munday.

Voted That the taxes set to Wm Munday be abated

Voted To pass over the 22d article

Voted To take up the 2d article

Voted Wm E. Killam Treasurer and Collector

Voted To take up the 9th article

Voted that the Treasurer and Collector allowed forty dollars for services the current year

Voted To expose Franklin Sumner concerning his manufacture of wood & Bark

Voted To dissolve this meeting

William R. Cole, Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, qualified by the Constitution to vote for Senators and Representatives to the General Court of said Commonwealth, holden in the second parish in said Boxford on Monday the ninth day of May A.D. 1859 for the purpose of bringing in their votes by ballot for or against the Proposed Article of amendment to the Constitution of the State of Massachusetts

The whole number of persons who gave in their votes was ascertained as by law directed and the whole number of ballots were twenty four, and the whole number of votes were received sorted counted and declaration thereof made in open town meeting as by law directed in open Town meeting as by law directed and were as follows

Amendment to the Constitution Yes twenty one

Amendment to the Constitution No three

Voted to dissolve the meeting

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Sorrel qualified to vote in Elections and in Town affairs holden in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said Town on Wednesday the twelfth day of September A.D. 1853

Voted William R. Kimball Moderator

Voted That there be a Committee of two persons chosen by ballot to cause the road petitioned for by Wm N. Cleaveland & others to be worked agreeably to the orders of the County Commissioners.

Chosen William N. Cleaveland & Dean Andrews Committee for said purpose

Voted That the Committee be instructed to set out the working of the road to the best possible advantage to the Town, forth-with

Voted To dissolve this meeting

William R. Cole Town Clerk

[illegible]

One hundred & one
Sixty one
[illegible]
Twenty-one

One hundred & two
Sixty two
Nineteen
Twenty one

One hundred & two
Sixty two
Nineteen
Twenty-one

One hundred & two
Sixty two
Nineteen
Twenty one

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Sixty two
Nineteen
Twenty one

One hundred & two
Sixty two
Nineteen
Twenty one

One hundred & two
Sixty two
Nineteen
Twenty one

One hundred & two
Sixty two
Nineteen
Twenty one

1860

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Belfast duly qualified to vote for Town officers and in Town affairs held in the vestry in the first Parish in said Town on monday the fifth day of March A.D. 1860

Chosen	Moses Lyman Esq.	Moderator
Chosen	William E. Killam	Town Clerk
Chosen	William E. Killam William R. Cole Joshua J. Jay	Selectmen and Overseers of Poor
Chosen	John Ratcliff Samuel Cole	Constables
Chosen	Samuel Swett Samuel Pease	Fence viewers
Chosen	[illegible]	Hog reeves

	Thomas Sawyer	Fence Viewers
	Ancill Dorman	
	Francis Fowler	
Chose	Orville L. Hovey	
	George F. Pearl	
	Milton Bidwell	

	Eben S. Baldwin	Surveyors of Highways
	Nathan H. Fowler	
	Samuel Andrews	
	[illegible]	
	Benjamin Peabody	
	George W. Chadwick	
	John K. Cole	
	Daniel F. Harriman	
	Daniel S. Gerlia	
	Samuel Perley	
Chose	William Howe	
	Charles F. Kimball	
	William P. Savage	
	William H. Beverly	
	Moses Kimball	
	Thomas S. Hover	
	Israel Merrick	
	John H. Robinson	
	Benjamin S. Barnes	
	Thomas Sawyer	

	John J. Cram	Surveyors of Lumber
	[illegible] Ford	
	[illegible] J. Cole	
Chose	Daniel Andrews	
	Orville L. Hovey	
	Augustus Hayward	
	Matthew L. Porter	
	[illegible] Andrews	

1861

Chosen	Francis C Whittier [illegible] Lane Samuel N Ayers Samuel Bixby Samuel Kimball	Measurers of Lumber
Chosen	[illegible] [illegible] Pool Samuel Bixby John Hale Jr John T Wood Isaac Hale	Measurers of Wood & Bark
Chosen	John Hale Orville L Hoyt	Sealers of Leather
Chosen	John Aiken Aaron S Baker	Pound Keepers
Chosen	Amos C Brown Richard Spofford	Auditors
Chosen	[illegible] Chase [illegible]	School Committee
Voted	[illegible] the several School Districts in this [illegible] of the [illegible] may think proper for the support of the schools in said town for [illegible]	
Voted	That all the several School Districts [illegible] their Prudential Committee	

1860

Voted To accept the report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Posts and Boards

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Voted To accept the report of the Committee appointed by the Town to take the care and management of the Estate Devised to the Town by the Hon. Aaron Wood Esqr. and also the Town's proportion of the surplus Revenue

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Voted To allow the following bills of Charge viz.

To Benjamin S Barnes for services as Selectman and Assessor the past year and for setting posts and putting up Guide Boards and cash paid out $23.50

To Benjamin S Barnes for services in letting of and selling wood on Town Farm ~~and~~ and advertising same $10.25

To Benjamin S Barnes for services as one of Overseers of Poor the past year - - - - $13.00

To Wm R Cole for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors & Overseers of the Poor the past year and cash paid for Stage & sitting Wood &c $52.75

To William C Cole for services as Town Clerk the past year, Porch pail & Stage $28.00

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To William E Cole for fencing and selling three Cords Pole and pulling up Grade Boards $3.50

To Wm E Killam for services as one of Selectmen assessors and Overseers of the Poor the last year per $45.75

To Jos Kimball for services as one of School Committee the last year and cash paid for Postage $4.75

To William E Killam for services as one of School Committee the last year $15.07

To Moses Kimball for services as Committee on School Funds and cash paid for recording Deed $3.60

To Samuel Andrews for services as one of the Committee on School Funds for one year ending Feb 17th 1860 $3.00

To Samuel Perley for services as one of the Committee on School Funds the last year $3.00

To Daniel W Conant for notifying three town meetings $2.00

To Daniel W Conant for notifying Town Officers to take the oath $2.00

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To Samuel Morse for services as Constable the past year $4.00

To William H Howe for moving Standard weights and measures and notifying town meeting $2.00

To William R Kimball for making down of eight deaths $1.50

To Joshua T Day for services as Auditor and Cash paid for printing Report $13.00

To Ancill Dorman for two and one half days service as Auditor $3.00

To Richard Spofford for services as Auditor $3.00

Voted To allow the following bill for Ringing Snow Iron

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To Joseph S Pike	for year 1859	.37½
" Francis Curtis		.75
" Thomas Sawyer		2.25
" Samuel Morse		4.50
" Isaac Adams		3.50
" Samuel Perley		1.00
" Joseph B Pike		1.50
" Daniel P Conant		2.25
" Francis Curtis		1.50
" Joshua T Day		2.25
" William N Clement		1.50
" George Pearl		0.12½
" Samuel Tilton		.50

1860

To Isaac W Andrew	$.50
" Isaac W Andrew	1.50
" Charles Exley	2.00
" Richard Spofford	3.50
" Sylvester Cummings	1.92
" Joseph K Farley	3.25
" Thomas Sawyer	1.25
" Daniel F Harriman	3.77
" Ephraim F Cole	3.00
" John Coulet	.87½

Voted To pay a bill presented by Daniel Coulet to the Selectmen to do as they think fit

Voted That all bills against the Town, except the Treasurers & Selectmen's for their service, be presented to the Selectmen for allowance previous to the 20th of Feb 1861

Voted That Surveyors of Highways when the roads are encumbered with snow, be directed to break them out eight feet wide, and that twelve and a half cents per rod be allowed for a man and team and a half cents per hour be allowed for a yoke of oxen while employed under the direction of a Surveyor of Highways, and that all bill for such service be presented to the Selectmen for allowance previous to the 20th of Feb 1861

Voted To raise nine hundred dollars for the support of schools the current year

Voted To divide the school money equally among the several School Districts

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Voted To raise eight hundred dollars for repairing the Highways and Bridges the current year

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Voted To allow a man while working on the Highways twelve and a half cent per hour, for a Yoke of Oxen twelve and a half cents, for a horse and horse-cart twelve and a half cents for an ox shovel twelve and a half cents, for a Plough twelve and a half cents, and for an ox cart five cents per hour while used on said Highways

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Voted To raise fifteen hundred dollars to defray the necessary expenses of the Town the current year

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Voted That the taxes be committed to the Collector within three days of the first day of September next and that a discount of three per cent be allowed on all taxes paid into the Treasury within thirty days, and two per cent on all paid within sixty days, next after the date of the Tax lists and after the expiration of ninety all Taxes be collected forthwith

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Voted That the list of names, prepared by the Selectmen for Jurors be revised by an entire new list of names by the Selectmen

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Voted To abate one dollar and sixty two cents of the tax set to Timothy Hoare Esq. Trustee on Collector's Warrant of 1854.

Voted To abate the Taxes set to Joseph Hale & James Hosey, and George S. Freeland in Collect William list of 1859, and Barney Herrings and George Smith in list of 1858. Also the Highway Deficiencies set to Mehitable Dob. Daniel Harriman. Daniel F. Harriman. Alonzo J. Henley Thomas B. Parker and Jonathan J. Porter in list of 1859.

Voted That the Treasurer be directed to pay five hundred dollars of the Town debt.

Voted That the law of 1857 relating to the catching of Pickerel and Trout be enforced for one year

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Voted To accept of the following list of names for juries

Samuel N. Ayers	Richard Spofford
Daniel Goulet	Isaac Cole
John F. Kimball	Joseph H. Jones
Samuel P. Peabody	John D. Bathelder
John Pool	John [illegible]
Peter Pool	Asa K. [illegible]
Thomas B. Parker	Benjamin F. Peabody
William Sawyer	Ephraim F. Cole

Chose William E. Killam } Treasurer & Collector

Voted To Dissolve this meeting

Wm E. Killam } Town Clerk

A true & legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford in the County of Essex Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified by the Constitution to vote for Senators and Representatives to the General Court of this Commonwealth, held in the Vestry in the first parish in said Boxford on Monday the Seventh day of May A.D. 1860 for the purpose of giving in their votes by ballot for or against two proposed articles of Amendments to the Constitution of this Commonwealth.

The whole number of persons who gave in their votes was ascertained as by law directed and the whole number of ballots was Thirteen and the whole number of votes were received sorted counted and recorded and declared thereof made in open Town meeting as by law directed and were as follows

Article first Yes
" " No Thirteen
Article Second Yes
" " No Thirteen

Voted to dissolve the meeting

Wm Cutler Town Clerk

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Wilson

1861 At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford duly qualified to vote for town officers and in town affairs held in the vestry in the second Parish in said Town on Monday the fourth day of March A.D. 1861.

Chose	William R. Kimball	Moderator
Chose	William H. Wood	Town Clerk.
Chose	William R. Cole	Selectmen.
"	William E. Killam	
"	John K. Cole	
Chose	Joseph H. James	Constables.
"	Benjamin Woodbury	
Chose	Daniel Russell	Sylvicultures
"	William E. Killam	
"	Joseph H. James	
"	William R. Kimball	
"	Gilman P. Perley	
"	[illegible] Bridgat	
Chose	[illegible]	Field Drivers.
"	[illegible]	
"	Richard P. [illegible]	
"	Stange Perley	
"	Joseph K. Farley	
"	Samuel B. Carleton	
"	William J. Savage	
"	Joseph N. Pope	

1861	George W. Chadwick	Field Drivers.
"	Isaac W. Andrew	
"	Caleb M. Cole	
"	Timothy Fuller	
"	William R. Kimball	
	Samuel Perry	Axe Men.
"	Thomas Dwyer	
"	John Reynolds	
"	Orville L. Perry	
"	George F. Pratt	
"	Ephraim F. Lane	
"	Edward [illegible]	Surveyors
"	Isaac Stanley	
"	[illegible]	
"	[illegible]	
"	John [illegible]	
"	[illegible]	
"	Augustus [illegible]	
"	Daniel H. Harriman	
"	Daniel Andrews	Highways
"	Benjamin Parson	
"	Benjamin Hood	
"	Jonathan C. Hosley	
"	Samuel Perry 2d	
"	Richard H. Gurley	
"	Daniel P. Kilham	
"	John A. Brown	
"	William A. Howe	
"	Charles C. Hosley	
"	John Hale	
"	John Fiske	

[illegible]	[illegible]	Surveyors of Lumber
	Samuel Bixby	
	[illegible]	
	Aaron Shepherd	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
	Thomas Sawyer	
	William Sawyer	
	Samuel Kimball	
	George F. Cole	
	Benjamin F. Barnes	
	Daniel P. Harriman	

[illegible]	[illegible]	Measurers of Wood and Bark
"	Samuel Bixby	
"	John Pearl	
"	James Stevens	
"	Daniel P. Harriman	
"	[illegible]	

[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
"	[illegible]	

[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
"	[illegible]	

[illegible]	[illegible]	Auditors
"	[illegible]	

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] committee

Voted To adjourn the meeting sixty minutes

Afternoon Session

The qualified Voters met according to adjournment and proceeded to union.

Voted To choose a School Committee of three persons

Chosen Thomas H Barnes on the county School Committee

Voted To allow each school District to choose their own Prudential Committee.

Voted To suspend further action on the third article in the warrant and proceed to business.

Voted. To allow the Prudential of each School District to Contract with the Teachers for their respective Schools.

Voted To accept the report of the committee relative to Guide Posts and Roads

Voted To accept the report of the Committee on the town Farm

Voted. To allow a bill of charge presented by Wm C. Killam for service as Chairman of the Board of Assessors Selectmen and Overseer of the poor the past year and incidental expenses. $ 65.50

Also for service as Treasurer and Collector 40.00

$ 105.50

Voted | To allow a bill of charge presented by Wm R. Cole for service as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year $44.50

Voted | To allow a bill of charge presented by Joshua T. Day for service as Selectman Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year $49.25

Voted | That Town Officers the current year receive such compensation as the law allows.

Voted | That Surveyors of Highways when the roads are encumbered with snow, be directed to break them out eight feet wide, and that twelve and a half cents per hour be allowed for a man, and twelve and a half cents per hour, be allowed for a yoke of oxen while employed under the direction of a Surveyor of Highways, and that all bills for such service be presented to the Selectmen for allowance previous to the 20th of Feb. 1862.

Voted | To raise nine hundred dollars for the support of Schools the current year.

Voted | That all school money be divided equally among the seven school districts

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Voted | To raise one thousand dollars for repairs and amendments of the Highways the current year.

Voted To allow a man while working on the Highways twelve and a half cents per hour, for a yoke of oxen twelve and a half cents, for a horse and horse cart [illegible] and a half cents, for an ox sheered twelve and a half cents, [illegible] and for an ox cart [illegible] cents for [illegible] on said Highways.

Voted To raise sixteen hundred dollars to keep the necessary Charges and expenses [illegible] the town [illegible] year.

Voted That the collecting of the Taxes be sold out at [illegible] highest bidder.

Voted That the collecting of the Taxes be sold out in two lots

The north lot was bid off by Wm. C. Killam at [illegible] and four tenths per cent

[illegible] lot was bid [illegible] C. Killam at [illegible] and four tenths per cent.

Voted To take all the second class in the warrant

Chosen William C. Killam } Collectors of Taxes

Chosen William C. Killam } Treasurer

Voted — Accept the following list of names as jurors

Richard F. Gurley	Leverett G. Howe
Amos Berry	William R. Kimball
Daniel W. Conant	Thomas B. Parker
Lewis Gerrish	John C. Robinson
Joshua G. Day	Peter Stout
Lewis Gould	William G. Savage
Israel Herrick	Thomas L. Stafford
George Pearl	Charles A. Stafford

Voted — To choose a committee of one to investigate the affair relative to the settlement of Andrew Berry.

Chosen — Amos Berry } Committee

Voted — To choose a committee to appropriate a sum of money not to exceed one hundred and fifty dollars to repair the Highways within the limits assigned to Nathan K. Davis to be laid out.

Voted — That the [illegible] Committee

Voted — That the altering the water course in the road west of the brook running from Rush Pond (so called) and the measures for draining the Brook below, and in the road leading from the Meetinghouse in West Boxford to North Andover be referred to the Selectmen.

Voted — That [illegible] be [illegible] Bank be paid as soon as convenient.

Voted That the 20th article in the warrant be passed over

Voted To take up the third article in the warrant

Voted To take up the 4th article in the warrant

Voted That the town committee be requested to procure text books for the first two grammar schools and that the taxes be collected in sixty days after the date of the tax list.

Chosen Moses Kimball for two years }
" Samuel Kimball for one year } School Committee

Voted To take up the 2nd article in the warrant

Voted Amos L. Perry declined serving as Road Surveyor

Chosen Aaron L. Perry } Sand Riley instead of Amos
L. Perry declined

Voted To dissolve this Meeting

William H. Reed } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford qualified to vote in Elections and in Town affairs held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said town on Monday the sixth day of May A.D. 1861

Chosen George H. Chadwick Moderator

Voted To raise the sum of five hundred dollars to be assessed on the Polls and Estates of said Town for the purpose of furnishing each of those persons who may volunteer in the service of their Country from this Town or who may volunteer within the present year, with such clothing and other things as they may need.

Voted To choose a committee of three to carry this into Effect

Voted That the Selectmen be this committee

Voted That the committee furnish the Volunteers with such things as they need to give them a good outfit.

Voted That this committee be instructed to pay those who have volunteered a sum of money equal per month to their pay after being mustered into service during their elementary drill

Voted To appropriate fifteen hundred dollars for the purpose of making provisions for the Families of such persons — within the Town as have volunteered and of such as may volunteer in the service of their Country during the present year.

ted | To reconsider the last vote

ted | To raise fifteen hundred dollars for the purpose of making provision for the Families of such persons within the Town as have volunteered and of such as may volunteer in the service of their Country during the present year

ted | That it be left discressionary with the Selectmen how this money shall be appropriated.

ted | To choose a Surveyor of Highways in the District where Samuel Perley jr was chosen at the annual Town Meeting

hose | Edward G. Batchelder } Surveyor of Highways

ted | To take up the third article in the warrant

ted | To reconsider the vote whereby the Town voted to raise fifteen hundred for the purpose of making provision for the Families of such persons within the Town as have volunteered and of such as may volunteer in the service of their Country during the present year.

ted | That all votes passed on the third article be reconsidered.

ed | That the Selectmen be instructed to give the Families of such persons within the Town as have volunteered and of such as may volunteer in the service of their Country during the present year such assistance as they may need, and

draw orders on the Treasurer.

Voted | To take up the second article in the warrant

Voted | That this committee inform themselves from Military men conversant with the matter what is necessary for a complete outfit for soldiers when mustered into service and govern themselves accordingly

Voted | That this Meeting be dissolved

William H. Wood, Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified according to the Constitution to vote for civil — Officers holden in the vestry in the second Parish in said Boxford on Tuesday the ~~sixth~~ fifth day of November it being the Tuesday next after the first Monday of said month. for the purpose of giving their votes to the Selectmen for Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the Commonwealth, for a Councillor for District No. two, for Secretary of State, for Treasurer & Reciever General, for Attorney General, for Auditor of Accounts, for Senator for third Essex district, for Representative to General Court for North Andover District No. Twenty for Clerk of Courts, for Essex County, for five years for one County Commissioner for three years, for an official Commissioner, for County Treasurer for three years for Register of Deeds for five years all on one ballot.

At the expiration of two hours and fifteen minutes from the opening of the Polls that the Polls be closed

The whole number of ballots given in was seventy four

The whole number of ballots were sorted counted and recorded and declaration thereof made as by the constitution directed and were for the following persons viz.

For Governor of this Commonwealth
John A. Andrew of Boston Fifty three
Isaac Davis of Worcester Twenty one

For Lieutenant Governor
John Nesmith of Lowell Fifty three
Edwin C. Bailey of Boston Twenty one

For Secretary of State
Oliver Warner of Northampton Fifty three
Frederick O. Prince of Winchester Twenty one

For Treasurer and Receiver General
Henry K. Oliver of Salem Fifty three
Emery Sanford of Oxford Twenty one

For Attorney General
Dwight Foster of Worcester Fifty three
Edward Avery of Braintree Twenty one

For Auditor of Accounts
Levi Reed of Abington Fifty three
Moses Bates of Plymouth Twenty one

For Councillor — Second District —
Jerry W. Cochrane of Methuen Forty nine
Daniel Saunders of Lawrence Twenty six

For Senator — Third District — County of Essex
Christopher Tompkins of Haverhill Fifty
Charles Burns of North Andover Twenty two
Warren Orman of Bradford One

For County Commissioner
Jackson B. Swett of Haverhill Fifty three
Albert Currier of Newburyport Twenty four

For Special Commissioner
Leno A. Appleton of Hamilton Fifty four
John Choate of Essex Twenty five

For County Treasurer
Allen W. Dodge of Hamilton Seventy seven

For Register of Deeds
Ephriam Brown of Salem Seventy seven

For Clerk of Courts
Asahel Huntington of Salem Seventy eight

For Representative to General Court — District Number Twenty,
Geo. F. Stevens of Oak Indenes Twenty Seven
Samuel K. Johnson of Ashfield Indenes Thirty Three

Ordered To Dissolve this Meeting.

William H. Wells, Town Clerk

1862

Voted That the School money be divided equally among the seven School Districts

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" To raise Eight hundred dollars for repairs and amendments of the Highway, the current year

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" To allow a man while working on the Highway twelve and a half cents per hour, for a yoke of oxen twelve and a half cents, for a horse and horse cart twelve and a half cents, for an ox and cart twelve and a half cents, for a plough twelve and half cents and for an ox cart five cents per hour [illegible]

" [illegible]

" [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

" To recommit Benjamin Peabody's bill

Voted To abate the poll tax set to Jacob Dressor in list of 1858 also Joseph Peabody Silas B Edwards and George Love in list of 1869 also William Blodgett James A Dennet & W Johnson. William C Thompson Michael Cogan Samuel Evans Charles B Hardy and Aaron Drafield in list of 1860, also Wm Broderick Patrick Doherty C B Hardy A J Pierce and Fox of 1.75 set to James H Hoisington in list of 1861

Voted To Dissolve the Meeting (Wm E Killam) Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford qualified to vote in Elections and Town affairs held in the Vestry in the first Parish in said Town on Monday the Thirty first day of March A.D. 1862

Chose Nathan Downe Moderator

Voted That the taxes be committed to the Collector within three days of the first day of September next, and that all taxes be collected within Sixty days after the date of the tax list

Voted To pass over the third article of the warrant

Voted To dissolve the meeting

Wm O Killam Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bo[illegible] qualified to vote in Town affairs, held in Destry in the First Parish in said Town on Tuesday the twentysecond day of July A.D. 1862

Gen. Nathan Young, Moderator

Voted That a bounty of Two hundred dollars be offered to any person being a citizen of this Town who may enlist into the service of the U. S. for the term of three years to be paid them when they are sworn into said service, until this town quota is full,

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Voted That in order to obtain this bounty they must enlist within twenty days from this date

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Voted That the bounty be not paid until they have been examined by the Surgeon appointed for that purpose and sworn and mustered into service

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Voted That the recruiting officer be authorized after the expiration of twenty days to recruit from any other Source approved by law offering a bounty of One hundred dollars,

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Voted That the Town Treasurer be authorized to hire money to pay this bounty,

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Voted That the Town raise and the Treasurer be authorized to hire the sum of Eight hundred dollars for the aid of families of Volunteers

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Voted To dissolve this Meeting

Wm C Killam, Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford qualified to vote in Town affairs, held in the Vestry, in the first Parish in said Town on Friday the twentysecond of August A.D. 1862

Chosen Nathan Towne } Moderator

Voted That the Town will pay to each person who shall be a resident of this town, who shall enlist in the federal army and be duly enrolled under the last call of the President for 300.000 men for nine months, untill the quota for Boxford shall be filled - a bounty of two hundred dollars

Voted To add fifty dollars to the bounty already raised

Voted That the Treasurer for Boxford is hereby authorized and instructed to hire upon the credit of the Town such sums of money as may be needed to pay the bounties agreeable to the vote of the town when the resolutions just passed to such persons as volunteer and are duly mustered into the service

Voted To adjourn this meeting until next wednesday at three O'clock P.M. at this place

Jm E Killam } Town Clerk

The Inhabitants of the town of qualified to vote in town met according to adjournment on wednesday the twentyseventh day of Aug. at three O'clock P.M. after hearing the doings of the last meeting read

Voted To add to the vote passed on the 2d article in the warrant, after he has accertained the quota for Boxford

" That the Treasurer be instructed to hire such sums of money as he need at the lowest rates of interest that he can

Voted That the Treasurer be instructed to pay the first on the enlistment roll provided they shall be duly enrolled and mustered into the service until the quota is full

" To dissolve the meeting

Wm E Killam Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bolford qualified to vote in town affairs held in the vestry in the first Parish in said Town on Monday the twenty-ninth day of Sept A.D. 1862

Chose Nathan Towne Moderator

Voted To rescind and annul their vote of Aug 27th 1862 whereby they voted to add to their vote on the 2d article of their warrant of Aug 22d 1862. after the Treasurer has ascertained the quota for Bolford

Voted That the Treasurer be authorized to pay fifteen persons if that number are duly mustered into the Service of the United States on or before Saturday the fourth day of Oct next. and that the persons whose names are now on the enlisting papers shall have the preference before any others up to the time named. If any of the fifteen above refered to shall not be mustered into the service by the time specified the Treasurer is authorized to pay any others mustered into the Service who are inhabitants of Bolford in their place. and if a larger number is required than the fifteen above named. the Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay the same bounty to each Soldier duly mustered into the service till the quota for Bolford is full

Voted To dissolve the meeting

Wm E Killam Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified according to the Constitution to vote for Representatives to Congress for State and County officers holden in the Hall in the first Parish in said Boxford on Tuesday the fourth day of Nov A.D. 1862 for the purpose of giving in their votes to the Selectmen for Governor and Lieut Governor of this Commonwealth, for Councillor for District No 2 for Secretary of State for Treasurer, for Attorney General for Auditor of Accounts, for Senator for the 3rd Essex District, for Representative to General Court for North Andover No twenty, for District Attorney, for Sheriff for Essex County, for three Commissioners of Insolvency for Representative to Congress for Dist No 7, for one County Commissioner for three years and two Special Commissioners for the three years

Voted

The whole number of ballots given in was One hundred & thirty

The whole number of ballots were sorted counted and ~~declared~~ and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directed and were for the following persons viz

For Governor
John A Andrew of Boston ... Eighty three
for Charles Devens jr of Worcester ... Forty two

For Lieutenant Governor
Joel Hayden of Williamsburg ... Eighty three
Thomas Plunkett of Westfield ... Forty two

For Secretary of State
Oliver Warner of Northampton Ninety three
Nathaniel B Shurtleff of Boston Forty three

For Treasurer & Receiver General
Henry K Oliver of Salem Ninety three
Daniel Saunders Jr of Lawrence Forty three

For Attorney General
Jacob Foster of Worcester Ninety three
Henry W Paine of Cambridge Forty three

For Auditor of Accounts
Levi Reed of Abington Ninety three
Charles Kimball of Ipswich Forty three

For Representative to Congress Sixth District
J. W. Cook of Chelsea Forty three
Oliver H Perry of Andover Forty three
Daniel P Gooch of Malden Forty nine

For Councillor District No 2
Geo W Cochrane of Newton Ninety two
Stephen Bowers of Salem Forty three

For Senator Third Essex District
Thomas Veiht of Lawrence Ninety two
George D Cabot of Lawrence Forty three

For District Attorney
Alfred A Abbott of South Danvers Forty three
Alfred A Abbott of Danvers Forty nine
For Sheriff
James Carr of Lawrence Ninety two
Moses Tenney of Georgetown Forty two

For County Commissioner
Abram C Pratt of Ipswich Ninety three
Levi Patch of Gloucester Forty three

For Special Commissioners
[illegible] of Lynn Ninety two
John B Jenkins of Andover Ninety two
Jerome Davis of Saugus Forty three
Moses Cass of West Newbury Forty three

For Commissioners of Insolvency
George F Choate of Salem Ninety two
Wm P Wright of Lawrence Ninety two
Benj H Smith of Gloucester Forty three
William C Binney of Amesbury Forty three
Wm P Smythe of Lynn Forty three
Alfred Pettredge of Haverhill Forty three
B H Smith of Gloucester Forty Nine
For Representative to General Court District 220
John Perry of Bradford Ninety one
Daniel W Johnson of Bradford Forty three

Wm E Killam Town Clerk

1863. At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford duly warned to vote for town officers and in town affairs held in the Westry in the second Parish in said town on Monday the seventh day of April A.D. 1863.

Chosen William R. Kimball } Moderator

Voted To pass over the second article till a Clerk is chosen

Chosen William H. Wood } Town Clerk

Chosen John A. Kimball
" William E. Killam } Selectmen
" Isaac Foster

Voted To take up the twenty sixth article in the warrant

Voted To excuse Wm. H. and Wm. A. Carleton from their obligation to the town of Boxford

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Chosen Samuel Morse
" Joseph H. James } Constables

Chosen William E. Killam
" John K. Cross
" Richard H. Foster } Tythingmen
" S. Gilbert Day
" David M. Cross
" Thomas S. Spofford

"	[illegible]	Field Drivers
"	[illegible]	
"	William R. [illegible]	
"	Jonathan G. Porter 2d	
"	Oliver P. Killam	
"	John R. Kimball	
"	Nathan K. Fowler	
"	[illegible] Page	
"	[illegible] Nelson	
"	[illegible] Andrews	
"	Edward Howe	

Chose	[illegible]	Fence Viewers
"	James Bean	
"	[illegible] Andrews	
"	William H. Wood	
"	Jonathan E. Foster	
"	William R. Kimball	

Chose	Edward Howe	
	Samuel [illegible]	
	Dean Andrews	
"	[illegible] Wood	Surveyors
"	Cassius [illegible]	
"	George H. Chadwick	"
"	John W. Killam	"
"	Henry A. Henley	Highways
"	Daniel Andrews	
"	George [illegible]	
"	John [illegible]	
	[illegible] Bedwell	
"	[illegible] Jones	
"	[illegible]	
"	John J. Wood	
"	Robert B. Anderson	
"	Charles E. Stevens	George B. Killam
"	Henry Barker	Amos Stevens

Chose	Augustus Lapham	Surveyors of Lumber
"	Isaac Andrews	
"	Samuel Kimball	
"	Samuel Bixby	
"	Joshua T. Day	
"	Jonathan T. Porter, Jr.	
"	Daniel F. Harriman	
"	John Pearl	

Chose	Samuel Bixby	Measurers of Wood and Bark
"	Ainos Stevens	
"	Israel Herrick	
"	Charles C. Stevens	
"	Benjamin F. Peabody	
"	Joshua T. Day	
"	Daniel F. Harriman	
"	Samuel B. Carleton	
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Chose	William A. Howe	Pound Keepers
"	Aaron L. Parker	

Chose	Ezra Merrill	Tax Collectors
"	Isaac B. Andrews	

Chose	Orrin Dorman	Auditors
"	William R. Kimball	

Chose	Samuel Kimball	School Committee for three years

Voted	To allow each School District to choose their own Prudential Committee

Voted | To pass over the fifth Article in the warrant

Voted | To take up the second Article in the warrant

Voted | To pass over the second Article in the warrant

Voted | To allow the Prudential Committee of each School District to contract with the Teachers for their respective Schools the current year

Voted | To allow the several School Districts to divide their proportion of the school money as they think proper for the support of the summer and winter terms of school

Voted | To accept the report of the Selectmen relative to wild beasts without scalping

Voted | To accept the report of the Committee on School Funds

Voted | To accept the report of the Auditor

Voted | To allow a bill of charge presented by Wm. E. Pillsbury for service as Chairman of Selectmen, Assessor and Overseer of the poor the past year, and cash paid for Stationary, postage, Express fee &c. $85.91.

Voted | To allow a bill of charge presented by Thomas E. Chafford for service as one of the Selectmen and Overseer of the poor $20.75

ted | To allow a bill of charge presented by George W. Chadwick for service as Selectman, Assessor, and Overseer of the poor and Cash paid $37.00

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ted | To allow a bill of charge presented by Wm E. Kilham for services as Treasurer the past year and Cash paid for postage and express fees $12.53

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ted | To allow a bill of charge presented by Joshua T. Day for service as Auditor and Cash paid for printing Report $16.00

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ted | To allow a bill of charge presented by Josiah H. Jones for notifying town meeting Feb. 2d 1863. $1.15

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ted | To allow a bill of charge presented by Thomas S. Stafford Surveyor of Highways for repairing Bridge and extra labor on Highways near George Stetson. $1.00

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ted | To allow a bill of charge presented by Samuel Swinden for gravel for mending Highways one hundred loads at five cents a load $5.00

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ted | To pass over the twelfth Article in the warrant

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ted | That Surveyors of Highways when the roads are encumbered with snow be directed to break them out eight feet wide and that twelve and a half cents per hour be allowed for a man, and twelve and a half cents per hour be allowed for a person while employed under the direction of a Surveyor of Highways, and that all bills for such service be presented to the Selectmen previous to the 20th of February 1864.

Voted To raise five hundred dollars for the support of schools the current year

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Voted That the school money be divided equally among the seven school districts

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Voted To raise one thousand dollars for repairs and amendments of the Highways the current year

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Voted That the road in the Highway law be worked out before the first of July and to allow a man while working on the Highways twelve and a half cents per hour, for a yoke of oxen twelve and a half cents, for a pair of horses and one cart twelve and a half cents, for an ox team twelve and a half cents, for a plough twelve and a half cents, and for an ox cart five cents for a while used on said Highway

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Voted To adjourn the meeting one hour

Afternoon session

The qualified voters met according to adjournment and proceeded to business

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Voted To raise seven hundred dollars to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the Town the current year

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Voted That a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first of December, and two per cent on all paid before the first of January and that all the taxes be paid since the first of January

ted To take up the third Article in the warrant

ted William R. Kimball } Collector of Taxes

ted William R. Kimball } Treasurer

Jonathan F. Porter declined serving as Field Driver and Surveyor of Lumber

ted Orville S. Haven } Surveyor of Lumber

ted James Easter } Field Driver

ted To take up the twelfth Article in the warrant

ted To allow the Treasurer and Collector such salaries as in service the current year,

ted That the Treasurer be instructed to give one thousand dollars to aid the families of volunteers as it shall be needed from time to time

ted That the School men be instructed to draw money from the Treasurer in such sums as they need, sometime since to hire the families of volunteers

ted To adopt the School Tax set to Jacob D. Brown, George Cummings, George H. Holt and Gilman P. Parker in the year 1864

Voted — To pass over the remainder of the Article

Voted — To chose Committee to visit the Alms house establishment and see what repairs are necessary, - and stake out a place where they think the barn ought to stand on or before the 20th Inst. and ascertain the expense of such repairs and removing the barn, and report at the next Town Meeting

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Voted — To choose a Committee of three and they be chosen by ballot

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Chosen — Joshua S. Day
" — John H. Cole
" — Thomas Hawes
} Committee

Voted — To take up the twenty second Article in the warrant

Voted — That the Town stand the [illegible] insurance

Voted — To cut thirty cords of wood on the Town farm draw it off from the lot and pile it in the [illegible]

Voted — To accept the following list of names as Jurors

Albert Brown	Orville L. Howes
John H. Cole	Henry James
William R. Cole	Asa Kimball
[illegible]	William R. [illegible]
Andrew Greene	[illegible]
Jonathan E. [illegible]	Samuel [illegible]
Israel Herrick	Daniel Russell
Edward Howe	John T. [illegible]

Voted To pass over the twenty second article in the warrant

Voted That the Taxes for the current year be committed to the Collector on or before the first day of October.

Voted To take up the twenty third article in the warrant

Voted That the Overseers of the poor be instructed to cut off twenty cords of wood on the Town Farm, draw it down to it and pile it on the pasture previous to the first of May

Voted To take up the twentieth article in the warrant

Voted To abate the Poll tax of Thomas O. Hale, Thomas Haines, and Thomas Reedy in the year 1862.

Voted That this Meeting be dissolved

William H. Wood } Town Clerk.

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified by the Constitution to vote for Senators and Representatives in General Court holden in the Vestry in the second Parish in said Boxford on Monday the sixth day of April A.D. 1863. being the first Monday in said month for the purpose of giving in their votes by ballot for or against an Article of Amendment to the Constitution of this Commonwealth

At the expiration of two hours from the opening of the Polls the Town voted to close the Poll

The whole number of persons who gave in their votes was ascertained as by law directed and the whole number of ballots was thirty, and the number of votes were received, sorted, counted, and declaration thereof made in open Town meeting as by law directed and were as follows.

Amendment to the Constitution. Yes. Four
" " " " No. Twenty six

Voted To dissolve the Meeting

Wm. H. Wood } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford qualified to vote in Elections and Town affairs held in the Entry in the second barn in said Town on Monday the sixth day of March A.D. 1853

Chose George Pearl } Selectman

Voted To extend a vote passed to raise twenty-five dollars to repair the barn at the Almshouse establishment over it now stands

Voted To choose a committee of one to carry this into effect

Chose Joshua T. Gay } Committee

Voted To dissolve the Meeting

Wm. H. Wood } Town Clerk

[illegible] the inhabitants of the Town of [illegible] duly qualified to vote for town officers and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said town on Monday the eighth day of June A.D. 1863.

[illegible] R. Kimball Moderator

[illegible] relative to [illegible] town in the road near the house of John Gould, - and I settle with him the best then can

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That all votes passed at this meeting be reconsidered

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified to vote for State and County Officers, held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said Boxford on Tuesday the third day of November A.D. 1863, for the purpose of giving in their vote to the Electoren for Governor and Lieut. Governor of this Commonwealth, for a Councillor for District No. 2. Secretary of State, Treasurer, Attorney General, Auditor of Accounts, Senator for the third Essex District, for Register of Probate and Insolvency for the County of Essex, Representative to General Court for Sixth Andover District No. 20. and for one County Commissioner for three years.

At the expiration of two hours from the opening of the Polls, that it Polls be closed;

The whole number of ballots given in was One hundred and thirteen

The whole number of ballots were sorted counted and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directed and were as follows Viz.

For Governor

Whole number of ballots One hundred and thirteen	113
John A. Andrew of Boston Eighty four	84
Henry W. Paine of Cambridge Twenty nine	29

For Lieutenant Governor

Whole number of ballots One hundred and thirteen	113
Joel Hayden of Williamsburg Eighty four	84
Thomas H. Plunket of Pittsfield Twenty nine	29

For Secretary of State

Whole number of ballots One hundred and thirteen 113
Oliver Warner of Northampton Eighty four 84
Frederick O. Prince of Winchester Twenty nine 29

For Attorney General

Whole number of ballots One hundred and thirteen 113.
Dwight Foster of Worcester Eighty four 84.
Theodore H. Sweetser of Lowell Twenty nine 29.

For Treasurer

[illegible]

For Auditor

Whole number of ballots One hundred and thirteen 113.
[illegible] Reed of Abington Eighty four 84
Moses Bates of Dunstable Twenty nine 29.

For County Commissioner

Whole number of ballots One hundred and thirteen 113.
James Kimball of Haverhill Eighty four 84
[illegible]

For Register of Probate and Insolvency for the County of Essex.

Whole number of ballots One hundred and thirteen 113.
[illegible] Eighty four 84
George R. Ford of Ipswich Twenty nine 29.

For Councillor. — Dist. No. 2

Whole number of ballots One hundred and [illegible] 113
Eben M. Jones of South Danvers Eighty four 84
William Nutting jr. of Marblehead Twenty nine 29

[illegible] 3d Com. District

[illegible] Hundred and Eighteen 118.

[illegible] Cigalog [illegible] 4

Grand Total [illegible] County [illegible] 41

[illegible] Hundred and Ten 110

[illegible] Kinlett of Bedford [illegible] 4

Grand Total of Bedford County 41. 41.

Voting Commenced

William H. Reed 3d Com. Dist.

1963 At a legal meeting of the inhabitants [illegible]
Rexford duly qualified to vote [illegible]
[illegible] in said town on Tuesday the third day of Nov. [illegible]

Chose: John H. Coate } Moderator

Voted [illegible]

Voted To raise four hundred dollars for having State aid to families of deceased soldiers, and that the Treasurer be authorized to hire the same

Voted That the repairing of the road on the hill [illegible] of [illegible] be [illegible] to the [illegible]

Voted [illegible]

William H. Wood } Town Clerk

63 At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Boxford duly qualified to vote for town officers and in town affairs held in the Vestry, in the second Parish in said town on Wednesday the thirtieth day of December A.D. 1863.

William R. Kimball } Moderator

Voted That there be a committee of five chosen, consisting of the Selectmen, and two others, to aid in procuring Volunteers, to fill the quota of the town under the last call of the President of the U.S.

Voted Charles C. Stevens
James F. Cleaveland } Committee

Voted That the expense in getting Volunteers, that has already been incurred, be assumed by the Town.

Wm. E. Killam declined serving as one of the committee to aid in procuring Volunteers.

Voted William G. Savage instead of Wm E. Killam — declined

Voted to dissolve the meeting

William H. Wood } Town Clerk

1864 At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bedford duly qualified to vote in town affairs and for town officers held in the vestry in the first Parish in said town on Monday the seventh day of March A.D. 1864

Chose	Nathan Towne	Moderator
"	Wm C Killam	Town Clerk
"	Wm C Killam	Selectmen
"	Joshua G Day	
"	William R Cole	
"	William F Savage	Constables
"	Samuel Morse	
"	Wm C Killam	Tythingmen
"	George Perley	
"	Daniel Goulds	
"	Israel F Spofford	
"	Samuel B Carleton	
"	Franklin Jagues	
"	Moses Dorman	Field Drivers
"	George Perley	
"	John Averill	
"	Joseph H Jones	
"	John Goulds	
"	Israel F Spofford	
"	Oliver P Killam	
"	+ Asa Kimball	
"	William R Kimball	
"	Harrison C Ross	
"	+ Thomas Sawyer	Fence Viewers
	George Perley	
	Amos Berry	

1861.

Chose Ephraim H. Cole
John F. Kimball
Oliver P. Killam } Fence Viewers

Chose William G. Dodd
Israel H. Spofford
Samuel Andrews
William R. Kimball
Francis C. Whittier
+ John A. Day
John K. Cole
Daniel F. Harriman
Charles Russell
Wm. C. Killam
Solomon W. Lowe
William H. Beverly
William R. Cole
Caleb M. Cole
Francis Marden
John V. Robinson
Timothy Hiller
Benjamin S. Barnes
Charles F. Kimball
Stephen P. Perley } Surveyors of Highways

" William Lowe
Augustus Hayward
Dean Andrews
Samuel Kimball
× Thomas Sawyer
Samuel Bixby
Joshua T. Day
Jonath. T. Porter
Daniel F. Harriman
John Pearl } Surveyors of Lumber

1864

Chose	Isaac Hale Samuel Bixby Thomas Sawyer Seam Andrews Daniel F. Harriman Nathan F. Fowler Benjamin F. Peabody Samuel B. Carlton Amos Stevens	} Measurers of Wood & Bark
"	Henry W. Dale Aaron F. Parker	} Pound Keepers
"	Edward Howe Isaac W. Andrews	} Sealers of Leather
"	Daniel Sawyer William H. Foss	} Auditors
"	William R. Cole	} School Committee for three years
Voted	To allow each School District to choose their own Prudential Committee	
"	To sustain the School Districts in this town	
"	To allow the Prudential Committee of each School District to contract with the Teachers for their respective schools the current year	
"	To allow the several School Districts to divide their proportion of School money as they think proper for the support of the summer and winter term of school the current year	
"	To suspend action on the 8th article at present	
"	To accept of the report of the Auditors	

Voted — pass over the 11th article of the warrant at present

" To accept of the report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Board

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" To allow a bill of charge presented by John H. Kimball for services as Chairman of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year including cash paid for Stationary Postage and Express fees &c $88.50

" To allow a bill of charge presented by Wm. Kilham for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year including cash paid for Postage Express fees &c $38.25

" To allow a bill of charge presented by Israel Herrick for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for 1863 $34.00

" To allow a bill of charge presented by Amos Stevens one of the Surveyors of Highways for cash paid for extra labor in building a Bridge near the house of John Hale $10.00

" That Surveyors of Highways when the roads are encumbered with Snow be directed to break them out eight feet wide, and that twelve and a half cents per hour be allowed for a man, and twelve and a half cents per hour be allowed for a yoke of oxen while employed under the direction of a Surveyor of Highways and that all bills for such service be presented to the Selectmen for allowance by the said Surveyors previous to the 20th of Feb 1865

" To raise nine hundred dollars for the Support of Schools the current year, and that it be divided equally among the several School Districts

" To raise one thousand dollars for repairs and amendment of the Highways and Bridges the current year

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Voted That three fourths of the Highway tax be worked out before the first day of July next. And to allow a man while working on the Highways fifteen cts per hour for a yoke of oxen fifteen cts for a horse and horse-cart fifteen cts. for an ox-shovel twelve and a half cts. for a Plough twelve and a half cts. and for an ox-cart five cts per hour while used on said Highways.

" To raise fifteen hundred dollars to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the town the current year

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" That the collection of the taxes for the current year be let out to the lowest bidder

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The collecting of the taxes was bid off by Joseph H. Janes at seven mills per dollar

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" To take up the 2d. article of the warrant

Chose Joseph H Janes } Collector of Taxes

" Joseph H Janes } Treasurer

Voted To accept of the following list of names as jurors

Albert Brown	William R Kimball
John K Cole	Orville L Hovey
James P Cleaveland	Henry Janes
Ancill Dorman	Asa Kimball
Jonathan E Foster	Valorus V Moulton
Edward Howe	Samuel P Peabody
William A Howe	Alonzo J Herd
William R Cole	John W Wood

" That Dean Andrews name be stricken from the list of jurors by his request. and that the name of William A Howe be inserted in its stead

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Voted To authorize the Selectmen to hire money as it may be needed, for paying State aid to families of Soldiers to an amount not exceeding fourteen hundred dollars

" To abate the Poll Tax set John J. Cole George S Dodge John Edmonds, and Luther McQuestion in list of 1862

" That the Town build an addition to the Alms-house suitable for the accomodation of insane paupers

" That we Shingle the Alms-house

" To choose a Committee of three by ballot to build and make the repairs voted

Chose John H. Cole, Joshua Day, Thomas Sawyer, Committee

Voted That the Town raise one thousand dollars to build and repair the Almshouse

" That the Committee chosen to build an addition to and Shingle the Almshouse, be instructed to make such other repairs on or about the Alms house as they think essentially necessary

" That the Committee take any part of the one thousand dollars raised to build an addition to and to Shingle the Alms-house not otherwise expended, to make repairs on said house or any other money not otherwise appropriated which may be in the Treasury

" That the one thousand dollars voted to be raised for building and addition to and to repair the Alms house be added to the State County and Town taxes for the current year

" That the Town pay one thousand dollars of the town debt

1864

Voted To take up the 8th article of the warrant

" To accept of the report of the Committee on School Funds

" That the taxes for the current year be committed to the Collector by the first day of Oct and that they be collected before the first day of December next

" That a Committee of three persons be chosen to look after truant children

Chose Wm R Cole, Moses Kimball, Samuel Kimball } Truant Officers

Voted To adopt the following as instructions to Truant Officers

It shall be the duty of the Committee chosen by the Town as Truant Officers, to acquaint themselves with all cases of neglect of duty in parents & guardians in the schooling of children, and to induce if possible such Parents and Guardians to comply with the requirements of the law. Failing in this, any minor between the age of five and sixteen an habitual truant growing up in ignorance shall be proceeded against as the law directs, Chap 42 Sch. laws. And if convicted shall be placed in some family where proper influences may be used to reform and instruct, Or in some Institution of reformation and instruction as may in the opinion of the court be thought best

" That all bills against the Town except the Selectmen's for their service, be presented to the Sel. men for allowance previous to the 18th of Feb. 1865.

" To dissolve this Meeting

Wm E Killam } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford duly qualified to vote in town affairs held in the Vestry in the first Parish in said town on Friday the twenty-fifth day of March A.D. 1864

Chose | George Perley } Moderator

Voted | That the Committee on the case of Albert W. Stevens versus the Town of Boxford make a Statement of the case how it stands

" | That the Committee on the case of Albert W. Stevens versus the town of Boxford be instructed to prosecute on appeal or exceptions in the case to its final issue.

" | That the Committee be instructed to employ the most able counsel they can find.

" | That there be a Committee of one person chosen to settle with Mr. Thistle of Lawrence, for damage sustained caused by a defect in the Highway, as reasonable as he can.

Chose | Joshua T. Day } Committee

Voted | That the repairs on Briges be refered to the Selectmen and that they repair them in the best manner possible

" | To dissolve this Meeting

Wm E. Killam } Town Clerk

1864

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown duly qualified to vote in town affairs held in the Vestry in the first Parish in said town on Friday the twentyfifth day of March A.D. 1864

Chosen John Peabody Moderator

Voted That the Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to hire all the money that may be necessary to procure men to fill the quotas of this Town under the calls of the President of the U.S. dated Oct 17th 1863 and Feb 1st 1864 not to exceed One hundred and twenty five dollars per man

" That the Chairman of the Selectmen attend to this business immediately without one days delay

" That the Surveyors of Highways for the current year be instructed to remove no more gravel from the common in front of the Holyoke house.

" Vote dissolve this meeting

Wm Killam Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford qualified to vote in town affairs held in the vestry in the first Parish in said town on Saturday the ninth day of April A.D. 1864.

Chose Moses Dorman } Moderator

Voted That the Town Treasurer be hereby directed to hire upon the credit of the town such sums of money as towns are by law authorized to raise to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen in procureing recruits to fill the quota of Boxford under the last call of the President of the U. S. not to exceed the sum of one hundred and twentyfive dollars for each recruit obtained and mustered into the United States service

Voted To dissolve this meeting

Wm E Killam } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford duly qualified to vote for town officers held in the vestry in the first Parish in said Town on Saturday the twentyfifth day of June A.D. 1864

Chose George Perley } Moderator

" Peter Stiout } Surveyor of Highways in place of Stephen P Perley who declined

Voted To Dissolve the Meeting

Wm E Killam } Town Clerk

1864

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford duly qualified to vote in town affairs held in the vestry in the first Parish in said town on Saturday the second day of July A.D. 1864.

Chose Benjamin S Barnes Moderator

Voted That the Selectmen be authorised and instructed to pay to any person furnishing a recruit hereafter enlisted and duly mustered into the military service of the United States, as a part of the quota of the Town of Boxford, under any call or order of the President of the United States for troops issued hereafter prior to the first day of March A.D. 1865: the sum of One hundred and twenty five dollars. And that the Selectmen shall draw their order or warrant upon the Treasurer of the town for such sums of money as may be required to fill the quota of Boxford under any and all calls for troops made by the President of the United States prior to the first day of March A.D. 1865: And that the Treasurer aforesaid be instructed to borrow such sums of money as may be necessary for the purpose specified above and give the credit or promissory note of the Town therefor

Voted That the Selectmen be authorised and requested to appoint Samuel K Herrick of Boston recruiting agent for this Town, and that all monies raised by the Town for the purpose of paying bounties to Volunteers be placed in his hands, and at his disposal agreable to the foregoing votes,

Voted To dissolve this Meeting

Wm L Killam Town Clerk

1864

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bo[illegible]
in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachuset[illegible]
qualified to vote for State and County Officers held
in the vestry in the First Parish in said Bo[illegible]
on Tuesday the eighth day of November A. D. 1864.
for the purpose of giving in their votes to the Selectmen
for the number of Electors of President and Vice Presiden[illegible]
the United States to which this Commonwealth is
entitled. for Governor and Lieutenant Governor of this
Commonwealth. for Representative in the Congress of the
United States. for Councillor for Council District No 2. for
Secretary of State. for Treasurer and Receiver-General. for
Auditor of Accounts. for Attorney-General. for Senator
for 2d Essex District. for Representative to the General Court
of this Commonwealth for North Andover District No 20.
and for County Commissioner. County Treasurer and
Register of Deeds for Essex County

Voted At the expiration of two hours and five minutes from the opening
of the Polls that the Polls be closed.

The whole number of ballots given in was one hundred sixty nine (169)

The whole number of ballots were sorted counted and
declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directs
and were as follows viz.

For Electors of President and Vice President (Abraham Lincoln)
Edward Everett of Boston [illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] Principle [illegible] one hundred and [illegible] eight
[illegible] Chenoweth [illegible] Boston [illegible]
[illegible] Beach of Springfield [illegible]

For Governor [illegible] Andrew
[illegible] Borden of Fall River. One hundred and twenty [illegible]
A. H. Howland of N Bedford [illegible]

For an Elector for District number two
Thomas Hale of Bridgewater One hundred and twenty eight
John Wilson of Corohill Thirty nine

For an Elector for District number three
Isaac Putnam of Dorchester One hundred and twenty eight
Abraham Jackson of Boston Thirty nine

For an Elector for District number four
J. M. S. Williams of Cambridge One hundred and twenty eight
Andrew Dunn of Boston Thirty nine

For an Elector for District number five
Eli Phillips of Lynn One hundred and twenty eight
Samuel T. Battelle of Salem Thirty nine

For an Elector for District number Six
George W. Chickering of Andover One hundred and twenty eight
James T. Cocklin of Haverhill Thirty nine

For an Elector for District number Seven
Stephen M. Weld of East Bridgewater One hundred and twenty eight
[illegible] of [illegible] Thirty nine

For an Elector for District number Eight
Levi Heath of Lowell One hundred and twenty eight
Isaac Davis of Worcester Thirty nine

For an Elector for District number nine
William S. Clarke of Northampton One hundred and twenty eight
Jon H. Dudley of Whately Thirty nine

For an Elector for District number ten
[illegible] Chapin One hundred and twenty eight
Abraham Lyon of Springfield Thirty nine

For Representative to U. S. Congress District Number Six
Daniel W. Gooch of Melrose One hundred and twenty eight
J. J. Greenwood of Malden Thirty nine

For Governor of the Commonwealth
John A. Andrew of Boston One hundred and twenty eight
Henry W. Paine of Cambridge Thirty nine

For Lieutenant Governor
Joel Hayden of Williamsburg One hundred and twenty eight
Thomas J. Plunkett of Pittsfield Thirty nine

For Councillor for Council District number two
Eben S. Poor of South Danvers One hundred and twenty eight
Wm. Nutting jr of Marblehead Thirty nine

For Secretary of State
Oliver Warner of Northampton One hundred and twenty eight
D. O. Prince of Winchester Thirty nine

For Treasurer and Receiver-General
Henry K. Oliver of Salem One hundred and twenty eight
Nathan Clark of Lynn Thirty nine

For Auditor of Accounts
W. Reed of Abington One hundred and twenty eight
Moses Bates of Plymouth Thirty nine

For Attorney-General
Chester I. Reed of Taunton One hundred and twenty eight
J. C. Lamb of Greenfield Thirty nine

For Senator 3rd Essex District
George Foster of Andover One hundred and twenty eight
John B. Nichols of Haverhill Thirty nine

For Representative to General Court District Number twenty
Elbridge G. Morrill of Bth. A. One hundred and twenty six
John A. Wiley of North Andover Forty one

For Register of Deeds for Essex County
Ephraim Brown of Salem One hundred and sixteen votes

For Treasurer of Essex County
Allen W Dodge of Hamilton One hundred and twenty eight
J D Jewett of Beverly Thirty nine

For County Commissioner for Essex County
Parkson B Sewell of Haverhill One hundred and twenty eight
John D Wood of Groveland Thirty nine

Voted to dissolve the meeting

Wm E Hilliard Town Clerk.

1865 At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of [illegible] said duly qualified to vote for Town Officers and on Town affairs held in the Town House in said Town on Monday the [illegible] day of March A.D. 1865

"	George H. [illegible]	Moderator
"	Andrew E. [illegible]	Town Clerk
"	John F. Kimball Benj. S. Barnes Edward Howe	Selectmen
"	[illegible] [illegible]	Constables
"	P. H. Brown Daniel [illegible] [illegible] Franklin Jones Oliver P. Kimball [illegible] R. Howe	Assessors
"	Joseph M. [illegible] Elisha [illegible] George Nelson [illegible] George [illegible] Isaac M. Andrew [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]	Fire Wardens

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Voted To [illegible] the fifth & seventh School Districts were united at the last annual Town Meet

Voted To make null & void the Vote whereby it appropriated to the fifth & seventh School Districts undivided sevenths of the School money -

Voted [illegible]

Voted [illegible]

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants [illegible] Town [illegible] the Town [illegible] day of [illegible]

[illegible]

Voted [illegible] which was made to pay [illegible] which had [illegible] Town [illegible] the purpose of filling its quota [illegible] under any requisition or order, or call of the President or the War Department of the United States during the year 1864 provided that those persons

[illegible] put in substitutes shall not be entitled [illegible] of the [illegible] money [illegible] paid by them in [illegible] of the [illegible] paid by the State of Massachusetts [illegible] the United [illegible]

Voted To Dissolve the Meeting

William [illegible] Town Clerk

At a Town meeting of the [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible] Town on [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 1865

Chose [illegible] Moderator

Voted [illegible] to any individual in [illegible] Town [illegible] of money [illegible] individual [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the President [illegible] of the United States during the year 1864

Voted To dissolve the meeting

[illegible] Town Clerk

1865 At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified to vote for State County and Town Officers held in the Town in the Second Parish in said Boxford on Tuesday the Seventh day of November A.D. 1865 for the purpose of giving in their votes to the Selectmen for a Governor and Lieut Governor of this Commonwealth. for Secretary. Treasurer Auditor and Attorney General of this Commonwealth. for a Representative to Congress for the Sixth Congressional District in Massachusetts to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Daniel W. Gooch, for two years from the fourth day of March last. Also for Sheriff for the County of Essex for a Councillor and for District Attorney for the Essex district. for three Commissioners of Insolvency. for a County Commissioner and two Special Commissioners. for a Senator for the third Essex Senatorial District. And for a Representative to the General Court for the twentieth district

Under a call of the Selectmen for votes for a Town Clerk Pro. Tem. (the Clerk being absent)

Chose Vine E Killam Clerk Pro. Tem.

Voted At the expiration of two hours from the opening of the Polls that the Poll be closed

The whole number of ballots given in were Seven

The whole number of ballots were sorted counted and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directed and were as follows Viz.

1865

For Governor
Alexander H Bullock of Worcester Fifty four
Darius N Couch of Taunton Fifteen

For Lieut. Governor
William Claflin of Newton Fifty four
Thomas T Plunkett of Pittsfield Fifteen

For Secretary of State
Oliver Warner of Northampton Fifty four
S. O. Lamb of Greenfield Fifteen

For Treasurer and Receiver General
Jacob H Loud of Plymouth Fifty four
Thomas C Amory Jr of Boston Fifteen

For Attorney General
Chester I Reed of Taunton Fifty four
H. C. Pierce of Cambridge Fifteen

For Auditor
Henry S Briggs of Pittsfield Fifty four
A P Carvalho of Salem Fifteen

For Representative to Congress 6th District
Nathaniel P Banks of Waltham Fifty one

For Councillor, District No 2.
Benjamin Evans of Salisbury Fifty four
William Nutting jr of Marblehead Fifteen

For Senator 3d Essex District
George Foster of Andover Fifty three
James R Nichols of Haverhill Fifteen

For County Commissioner
Hiram A Waitt of Ipswich Fifty six
Nathaniel Stickney of Ipswich Fifteen

1865

For Sheriff
Horatio G Herrick of Saugus. Fifty two
Moses Tenney of Georgetown. Fifteen
James Carey of Lawrence. One

For District Attorney
Benjamin H Smith of Gloucester Fifty one
Alfred A. Abbott of South Danvers Seventeen

For Special Commissioners
Nathaniel H Griffith of Groveland Fifty four
Moses T Whittier of Rowley Fifty four
Ebenezer Payne of Saugus Fifteen
William C Binney of Amesbury Fifteen

For Commissioners of Insolvency
William Howland of Lynn Fifty four
Nathaniel T Holden of Salem Fifty four
Henry L P Sherman of Lawrence Fifty four
E A Drealls of Lynn Fifteen
John C Choate of Essex Fifteen
W H G Johnson of Newburyport Fifteen

For Representative to General Court District 20
Henry Carter of Bradford Fifty four
Nathan Munroe of Bradford Fifteen

Wm E Killam Town Clerk
Pro. Tem.

1866 At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford duly qualified to vote for Town Officers and on Town affairs held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said Town on Monday the Fifth day of March AD 1866.

Chose	Nathan Towne	Moderator.
"	Roscoe W. Gage	Town Clerk.
"	Ancill Dorman John F. Kimball Oliver S. Killam	Selectmen. Assessors and Overseers of Poor.
"	William E. Killam Jonathan J. Porter	Constables.
"	Isaac Hale John N. Towne Daniel W. Conant Franklin Jaques Gardner J. Kimball William K. Kimball	Tything Men.
"	Moses Dorman Esq. George Perley Joseph N. Pope Daniel Kipby Amos Stevens Henry Barker Samuel B. Carleton William K. Kimball David M. Cole John Day Jr.	Field Drivers

1866

Chose

Edward Howe John R. Cole George Perley William R. Kimball Ephraim F. Cole Henry Baker	Fence Viewers

" James P. Cleveland Isaac Adams Samuel Andrews William R. Kimball Elijah Stiles Charles Perley John L. Killam James M. Carr Henry A. Towne Henry James Horace Berry Peter Peard Robert Anderson Israel Herrick Charles O. Foster George B. Killam William J. Savage Jonathan E. Foster Albert Perley	Surveyors of Highways

" William Lowe Samuel Kimball Augustus Hayward Dean Andrews Joshua T. Day Jonathan J. Foster Israel F. Spofford Samuel N. Ayers Daniel F. Harriman	Surveyors of Lumber

1866

Chose	William Lowe William J. Badger Samuel Bixby Amos Stevens Samuel Kimball George B. Killam Daniel F. Harriman John Heard Albert P. Howey Israel F. Spofford Joshua T. Day	Measurers of Wood and Bark.
"	David T. Dale Aaron L. Parker	Pound Keepers
"	Edward Howe	Sealer of Leather
"	Samuel P. Peabody William K. Kimball	Auditors
"	Roscoe W. Gage, for three years John F. Kimball for one year	School Committee
Voted	To pass over the remaining part of the 2d Article	
"	To suspend action on the 3d Article at present	
"	Not to abolish the School Districts in this town	
"	To take up the 3d Article in the Warrant.	
"	To allow each School District to choose their own Prudential Committee.	

1866

Voted To allow the Prudential Committee of Each School District to contract with the Teachers for their respective Districts the Current Year.

" To allow the several School Districts to divide their proportion of School Money as they think proper for the support of the Summer and Winter terms of School the current year.

" To alter the limits of the Fifth and Seventh School Districts in such manner as to set of the families of John F Kimball and William H. Greenleaf from the Fifth to the Seventh District And the Selectmen are authorized to alter said limits by a line in the present division line between said Districts from a bound between the House of Samuel Morse and the east side of the road leading down the Grave Yard Hill. thence on the southerly side of the road to North Andover line, near the House of James M. Hubbard

" To accept the report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Boards

" To accept of the report of the Committee on School Funds

" To accept the report of the Auditors

" To allow a bill of charge presented by John F Kimball for services as chairman of Selectmen Assessors Overseers of the Poor the past year including cash paid for Stamps Postage and Stationary. $101.29

" To allow a bill of charge presented by Benjamin S. Karnes for Services and Expenses, as one of the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year, $52.

1866

Voted To allow a bill of Charge presented by Edward Howe, for Services as one of the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, the past year $30.00

" That all bills against the Town, excepting the selectmen's for their services, be presented to the Selectmen for Allowance, on or before the 20th of Feb. 1867

" To raise One Thousand dollars for the support of Schools the current year. $1000

" To pass over the remaining part of the 14th Article of the Warrant

" To raise thirty five hundred dollars to defray town charges the current year $3500.

" To raise one thousand dollars for repairs and amendments of the Highways the current year

" To take up the 24th article in the warrant

" That the Taxes for the current year, be committed to the Collector on or before the 1st of October

" That a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes paid into the treasury before the first day of November, and two per cent on all paid before the first day of December, and that all taxes be paid before the first day of Jan. 1867

" To take up the Second article of the warrant.

" To Choose a Treasurer for the current year.

Chose Joshua T. Day } Treasurer

" Joshua T. Day } Collector of Taxes

1866

Voted That when the roads are encumbered with snow the Surveyors are instructed to break them out eight feet wide, and to allow for a man, and for a yoke of oxen each, twelve and a half cents per hour while employed under their direction while breaking ~~them~~ out the roads.

" That three fourths of the Highway Tax be worked out previous to the first day of July next, and to allow for a man and for a yoke of oxen each, fifteen cts per hour, for a horse and horse cart fifteen cts for an ox shovel and for a Plough each twelve and a half cts per hour, and for an ox cart five cts per hour, while used on said highways

" To allow the Treasurer and Collector fifty dollars for his services $50.

" To accept the following list of names as Jurors

Solomon W. Lowe	Jonathan E. Foster
William E. Killam	Charles F. Kimball
William J. Savage	William R. Kimball
Leverett S. Howe	Otis Kimball
Samuel P. Babcock	Alonzo J. Conley
Albert Perley	John T. Wood
William Sawyer	Valorus V. Moulton
George B. Killam	Franklin Jaques

" That the Selectmen be instructed to pay State aid to families of Volunteers, at their discretion and draw their orders on the Treasurer for same

" That the abatement of Poll Taxes, set to S. G. S. Morse, William B. Brown and Nelson Collins in list of 1864, and a tax of $2.78 set to Asa F. Perley in list of 1862, and the Poll Tax set to Horace Moore and in list of 1863, be referred to the Selectmen for settlement

1866

Voted That the Treasurer, pay the Interest, and ten per cent of the principal of the Town debt.

" To pass over the 28d article in the warrant

" That the repairing of the Bound in the First Parish, be referred to the Selectmen.

" That the Town pay the bounty of $125. with interest on the same, to Willard P. Howe who was accepted as a Soldier from Boxford in March 1864

" That the removal of Sidney Eaton, from the Insane Asylum at South Boston, to the Insane Asylum at Ipswich, or to any other place, be referred to the Overseers of the Poor.

" [illegible]

1866 At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified to vote for State, County & Town officers, held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said Boxford, on Tuesday the Sixth day of November A.D. 1866 for the purpose of giving in their votes to the Selectmen for a Governor and Lieut. Governor of this Commonwealth for Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, and Attorney General of this Commonwealth, for a Representative to Congress for the Sixth Congressional District in Massachusetts, for two years from the fourth of March next; Also for Councillor, and for Clerk of the Courts for Essex County, for County Commissioner, and for a Senator for the third Essex Senatorial District, also for a Representative to the General Court for the Fifth District

Voted At the expiration of two hours from the opening of the polls that the Polls be Closed

The whole number of ballots given in were one hundred and nine

The whole number of ballots were sorted counted, and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directed and were as follows, Viz

For Governor

Alexander H Bullock of Worcester Eighty four
Theodore H Sweetser of Lowell Twenty five

For Lieut. Governor

William Claflin of Newton Eighty four
Horace G Lee of Springfield Twenty five

For Secretary of State
Oliver Warner of Northampton. Eighty four
Luther Stephenson Jr of Hingham Twenty five

For Attorney General
Chester I. Reed of Taunton Eighty four
William C Endicott of Salem Twenty five

For State Treasurer
Jacob H Lord of Plymouth Eighty four
Harvey Arnold of Adams Twenty five

For Auditor
Henry S. Briggs of Pittsfield Eighty four
Arthur F Devereaux of Roxbury Twenty five

For Representative to Congress Sixth District.
Nathaniel P Banks of Waltham. Eighty two
Frederick O Prince of Winchester Twenty five

For Councillor Second District.
Benjamin Evans of Salisbury Eighty four
James H Carleton of Haverhill Twenty five

For County Commissioner
James Kimball of Salem Eighty five
Jonathan Nayson of Amesbury Twenty five

For Senator Third Essex District.
George S. Merrill of Lawrence Sixty one
Charles J. Noyes of Haverhill Fourteen
Moses Stevens of N. Andover Twenty nine

For Representative to General Court. District 51
Joseph C Stacy of Groveland Eighty
Elijah Clark of Groveland Eighteen

For Clerk of Court

Abdiel Huntington of Salem Eighty seven
E. A. Ingalls of Lynn Seventeen
N. M. Hawkes of Lynn Eight.

Voted To dissolve the Meeting

Roscoe W Gage } Town Clerk

[illegible]

1867 [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] Kimball } Moderator

" Roscoe W. Gage } Town Clerk

" John P. Kennedy
Joseph H. [illegible]
Roscoe W. Gage } Selectmen

" John E. Kilham
Jeremiah Kimball } Constables

" George Perley
Daniel W. Conant
Samuel Bixby
Franklin Ingalls
William H. Ward
Alonzo L. Henley } Fighting Men

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[illegible] Dennison George Bailey Daniel Brick John Barrows Wm F. Savage Wm H. Kimball George B. Austin Samuel D. Erickson Oliver F. Williams David M. Cole	Field Drivers
Wm J. Cleveland Isaac Hewick John F. Kimball	Fence Viewers
Wm E. Hilliard Stephen S. Adams Moses Dennison Isaac C. Day Daniel L. Kennedy George H. Chadwick Augustus Hayward Daniel Andrews George Bailey Solomon H. Frame William Barrows Oliver F. Williams Aaron S. Parker John B. Swisden Alonzo J. Hunter Eben Gould Charles A. Burns Samuel Greenwood Edward G. Batchelder	Surveyors of Highways

[illegible] 2nd — [illegible] services as one of the Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor. $29.00

" — To pass over the twelfth Article in the Warrant.

" — That when the roads are encumbered with Snow the Surveyors are instructed to break them out eight feet wide and to allow for a man and for a yoke of oxen each, seventeen cents per hour, while employed under their direction, while breaking out the roads.

" — To raise the sum of one thousand dollars for the support of schools the current year.

" — That the school money be appropriated equally between the seven School Districts.

" — To raise the sum of twelve hundred dollars for repairs and amendment of the highways the current year.

" — That three fourths of the highway tax be worked out previous to the first of July next, and to allow for a man and for a yoke of oxen each twenty cents per hour, for a horse and [illegible] twenty cents [illegible] and for a plough [illegible] and for a cart five cents per hour while used on said highways.

" — To raise the sum of thirty five hundred dollars to defray town charges the current year.

" — That the the Treasurer be instructed to hire, from time to time, such sums of money as may be needed to pay State aid to such persons as are entitled thereto under the laws of the Commonwealth.

1847

Voted | To abate the Poll Taxes set to the following persons in list of 1845
John D. Bixby, Benjamin Fuller and Horatio N. Hill.

" | That the tax be committed to the Collector, on or before the first day of October next, and that a Discount of five per cent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first day of November next, except School District taxes and Highway deficiencies, and two per cent discount on all paid before the first of December next, and that all Poll Taxes be paid on demand, and that all taxes be collected [illegible] the first day of [illegible] next.

" | Voted, Instruct the Treasurer to pay each man of the Police Department [illegible] for his services so to do.

" | To accept the following list of persons from

Wm E. Williams	Charles W. Kimball
Solomon W. Lane	Wm K. Kimball
Edmund Noyes	John T. Wood
Albert Wadley	Edward Hamilton
Samuel P. Peabody	Franklin Jaques
Leverett W. Wood	Charles Pelby
William Hayes	George F. Blanchard

Voted | To place the [illegible] Articles before the selectmen for them to act upon and report during the year, for further action.

[illegible] to allow a bill of [illegible] for [illegible] Stiles & William, as one of the Selectmen & assessors, and assessors of the Poor. $29.00

" To pass over the twelfth article in the warrant.

" That when the roads are encumbered with Snow the Surveyors are instructed to break them out eight feet wide, and to allow for a man and for a yoke of oxen each seventeen cents per hour, while employed under their direction, while breaking out the roads

" To raise the sum of one thousand dollars for the support of schools the current year.

" That the school money be appropriated equally between the seven school districts.

" To raise the sum of twelve hundred dollars for repairs and amendments of the highways the current year

" That the [illegible] be [illegible] previous to the first of July next, and to allow for a man, and for a yoke of oxen, each twenty cents per hour, for a horse and a horse cart, twenty cents, for an ox shovel and for a plough twelve cents, and for a [illegible] five cent per hour [illegible] used on said highways.

" To raise the sum of thirty five hundred dollars to defray town charges the current year.

" That the [illegible] be instructed to hire from time to time, such sums of money as may be needed to pay state aid to such persons as are entitled thereto under the laws of the Commonwealth.

1845

Voted | To abate the Poll Taxes set to the following persons in list of 1845
John D. Bixby, Benjamin Fuller and Horatio N. Hill.

" | That the tax be committed to the Collector, on or before the first day of October next; and that a Discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first day of November next, except School District taxes and Highway deficiencies, and two per cent discount on all paid before the first of December next; and that all Poll Taxes be paid on Demand, and that all Taxes be collected [illegible] the first day of January next.

" | To Instruct the Treasurer to pay such sums of the Town Dept. from time to time, as he may have funds so to do.

" | To accept the following list of Names as Jurors

[illegible] E. Pillsbury	Charles H. Kimball
Solomon H. Jones	H. K. Kimball
Edward Hovey	John T. Wood
[illegible]	Edward Hamilton
Samuel P. Peabody	Franklin Pagne
Lorenzo N. Howe	Charles Perry
William Hongue	George [illegible]

Voted | To pass the [illegible] Warrant before the selectmen for them to act upon and [illegible] the town for further action

[illegible] the [illegible] Third article in the warrant

to take up the Second article in the warrant

Joshua W. Day } Treasurer

Joshua W. Day } Collector of Taxes

to take up the Fifth article in the warrant

to allow the Treasurer & Collector of Taxes a salary for his services

to dissolve this meeting

Moses P. Gage } Town Clerk

1867 At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Boxford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, qualified to vote for State, County and Town Officers held in the vestry in the second Parish in said Boxford on Tuesday the Fifth day of November A.D. 1867 for the purpose of giving in their votes to the Electors for a Governor and Lieutenant Governor of this Commonwealth, for Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor and Attorney General of this Commonwealth, for a Senator for the three Essex Senatorial District, for a Representative to the General Court for the fifth Essex District, also for a County Commissioner, County Treasurer, and a Register of Deeds for Essex County.

Voted At the expiration of two hours and nine minutes from the opening of the Polls that the Polls be closed.

The whole number of Ballots given were one hundred and seventy.

The whole number of ballots were sorted, counted, and declaration thereof made by the moderator, viz: the votes were as follows.

For Governor

Alexander H. Bullock of Worcester Ninety [illegible]
John Q. Adams of Quincy [illegible]

For Lieutenant Governor

William Clafflin of Newton [illegible]
G. M. Stearns of Chicopee [illegible]

For Secretary of State

Oliver Warner of Northampton [illegible]
Charles Levi Woods of Boston [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

For Coroner

[illegible]

For Commissioner of Common Schools

Jackson [illegible]

For County Treasurer

[illegible]

For Sheriff

[illegible]

For Surveyor

[illegible]

For Assessor of Internal Revenue

[illegible]

For Collector of Internal Revenue

[illegible]

Resolved, That this meeting

[illegible]

1867 At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford, duly qualified to vote in Elections and in Town affairs held in the vestry in the Second Parish in Boxford on Tuesday the 5th day of November A.D. 1867.

Chose William E. Killam, Moderator

Voted That we rescind the vote whereby the School Money was apportioned among the seven School Districts at the last annual meeting.

" To pass over the third article in the Warrant

" To dissolve the meeting.

Horace R. Guy, Town Clerk.

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Boxford duly qualified to vote in Elections and in Town Affairs held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said Town Tuesday the 12th day of November A.D. 1867.

Chose William H. Kimball, Moderator

" William H. Kimball, Auditor in place of Noah Cleveland resigned.

Voted To accept of the Report of the Selectmen in regard to laying out a road from the road near Stephen Hill's to the house of Benjamin [illegible] as laid down on the plan of said Selectmen.

Voted

The Selectmen of the Town of Boxford are authorized to procure the [illegible]

1867 and others have laid out a town way as follows
beginning at a point in the road bearing
from the north west corner of Porter's mill
north 21½° East 16 ft

thence from said point over Porter's Dam South
43½° West 12 rods. Thence South 22½° West 3 Rods
to the southerly end of the Dam. thence South 6°
East 17 Rods and 8 Links to a point in the road
opposite the south end of the Shed at the small
barn of D. F. Hartman. thence from the south
west corner of said Shed on the east side of the
proposed road, South 4° East 15 rods 8 links
to a gate post [illegible] rods to the [illegible]
of land of said Hartman leaving all the
land to the road from said line westerly
to Hartman's fencing and [illegible]

The proposed location takes from said D
F Hartman 122 square rods of land and requires him
to build 15 rods 8 links of fence.

The width of the proposed road is about 21
feet over Porter's Dam and we have laid it out
three rods wide from the south end of said dam
to the south end of the shed, near the small
barn of D. F. Hartman.

We have awarded Mr Hartman for damages
one hundred and thirty dollars, and he is to remove
his fence and [illegible] before the first day
of April 1868

We have also awarded further [illegible] for
damages [illegible]

Thos F Kimball } Selectmen
Boxford Nov 2d 1867 Lincoln Dorman } of
Roscoe W Gage } Boxford

Voted To pass over the Fourth Article in the warrant

" To dissolve this Meeting

Roscoe W Gage Town Clerk

1867 | At a legal meeting of the Inhabit[illegible] of the town of Bradley, duly qualified [illegible] in Elections and in town affairs. held in [illegible] at the school house in District No [illegible] on the 23d day of [illegible]

Chose | Cordon G. Kimball } moderator.

Voted | That District No 7 have one sixth of the School money and on condition that the District shall maintain a school in [illegible] shall have $100 in addition for that [illegible] provided such a school is opened by the [illegible] of January 1868 otherwise the money shall be divided equally among the six Districts. And in case such school is maintained the remainder of the money shall be equally divided among the other five Districts.

Voted | to dissolve the Meeting.

Roscoe H. Crane } Town Clerk

1868 At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Bedford duly qualified to vote for Town Officers, and in Town Affairs held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said town on Monday the second day of March A.D. 1868

Chose John R. Cole } Moderator

" Roscoe W. Gage } Town Clerk.

" Roscoe W. Gage } Selectmen
Joshua T. Day } Assessors &
John Pearl } Overseers of the Poor.

" Daniel S. Gillis } Constable
Wm. R. Kimball }

" Frederick A. Howe } Fyeriing
Joseph H. Jones
Daniel West

Franklin Jaques } men.
Wm. R. Kimball
David M. Cole
Charles A. Barnes
John Peabody

" Moses Dorman } Tiedel
Richard T. Gurley
John Peabody
Eben. S. Gould

John Pearl } Drivers
Wm. R. Kimball
Harrison O. Ross
Charles O. Foster
Oliver P. Killam
Daniel Bixby

1868

Chose

Ancill Dorman
Charles A Barnes } Fence Viewers.
Joshua T. Day

"

John Peabody
Charles A Spofford
Samuel Andrews
George B. Killam
George B. Austin
Wm E. Riley
John Day Jr.
John Sawyer
Daniel Andrews
Henry A Towne
Joseph H. Jones
Elbridge N. Harris
John F Kimball
Albert P. Hovey
Israel Herrick
Alonzo J. Henley
George Wm J. Savage
Nelson Bodwell
Samuel Perley 2d

} Surveyors of Highways

"

Augustus Hayward
William Lowe
Dean Andrews
Samuel Kimball
Elbridge N Harris
Joshua T. Day
Daniel F. Hagerman
John Hall
Daniel Andrews
James R. Sawyer
Albert P. Hovey

} Surveyors of Lumber

Chosen

Samuel Pixby
William Lord
Elbridge N. Harris
Amos Stevens
Edward Home
Joshua T. Day
William J. Rodger
James Carleton
Daniel T. Hazeiman
John Pearl
David M. Cole

} Measurers of Wood and Lumber

" Walter French
Aaron L. Parker } Road Keepers

" John Hale } Sealer of Leathers

" John Peabody
Wm. R. Kimball } Auditors

" Thomas P. Dorman } School Committee for 3 years

Voted to take up the third Article in the warrant.

" To allow each school District to choose its own Prudential Committee

" To allow each Prudential Committee to contract with the teacher for their respective schools the ensuing year.

" To allow the several school Districts to divide their proportion of the School Money as they may think best for the support of the summer and winter terms of school.

" To direct the Town Clerk to ascertain what information can be obtained and fill out the Resolution

1868 Record according to the design of the Law.

Voted To accept the Report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Boards

" To accept the Report of the Committee on School Houses

To accept the Report of the Auditors.

" To allow a bill of charge presented by John L. Hoyt for services as Selectman, Assessor & Overseer of the Poor the past year including cash paid for Stationery, Postage &c. $150.00

" To allow a bill of charge presented by Amos H. Brown for services as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year, including cash paid for Stationery, Postage &c. $56.56

" To allow a bill of charge presented by W. C. Hoyt for services as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor including cash paid for Stationery, Postage &c. $39.50

Voted That all bills against the town excepting the Selectmen for their services, be presented to the Selectmen for Allowance on or before the twentieth of Feb 1869.

" That when the roads are encumbered with snow the highway commissioners be authorized to open eight feet wide, and allow a reasonable sum for labor of each person and team while employed in breaking out the roads.

Voted to pass over the fourth article in the warrant

1865

Voted To raise one thousand dollars for the support of schools the current year. $1000

" To divide the school money equally among the six school Districts.

" To raise the sum of twelve hundred dollars for repairs and amendments of the Highways the current year

" That three fourths of the Highway tax be worked out prior to the first day of July next, and to allow for a man and for a pair of oxen each twenty cents per hour for a team and twelve cents per hour for a man, and for a pair of oxen each twenty cents per hour while used on said Highways

" To raise the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the town the current year.

" That the Town Treasurer be authorized to receive before the first day of October next, and that a discount of five per cent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first day of December next except school district taxes and Highway deficiencies and two per cent discount on all paid before the first day of December next, that all bills be paid on demand and that all taxes be paid before the first day of January next.

" To remove the eighteenth district of the town

" To abolish the town set to Edward Lowell, and the town set to Benjamin Butler, to Joseph C. Nichols and Thomas B. Shaffer to collect taxes for the year A.D. 1866.

" To instruct the Treasurer to pay the sum of one thousand dollars of the town debt on the first day of April next

Voted that the District formed by the union of the fifth and sixth School Districts shall take the name of the seventh School District.

Voted to take up the eighteenth article in the warrant

" to accept the following list of names as jurors

John Merrill	Stephen S. Adams
Samuel Stewart	Oliver P. Lytton
Andrew Frame	John Read
Joseph H. Jones	Harrison W. Noon
George Haley	William H. Wood
Sylvanus Snisden	Gardner G. Kimball
Lorrett L. Howe	Samuel C. Whitten

" To take up the twelfth Article in the warrant

" To adopt the Laws on the Statute book in regard to fishing in the pond, and the use of firearms and hatchets within the limits of the town and to appoint a committee to enforce these laws and report

Chosen

Oliver P. Lytton	Moses Hooper
Charles C. Stevens	David M. Cole
Elijah [illegible]	Wm H. Kimball
John W. Brown	Daniel [illegible]
John H. [illegible]	Samuel Ricker 2d

as that committee.

Voted [illegible]

Chosen John T. Long } Assessors

" John T. Long } Collector of taxes.

Voted [illegible] the officers [illegible]

Voted that the meeting be dissolved

Recorded [illegible]

1868. At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Bexford duly qualified to vote in Elections and in town affairs held in the vestry in the first Parish in Bexford on Monday the sixth day of July 1868.

Chose John K. Cole } Moderator

Voted That a committee of three be chosen to answer to, and defend the town against the Petition of Jonathan F. Parker.

" That the Selectmen be that committee.

" To dissolve the meeting.

Roscoe W Gage } Town Clerk.

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Bexford qualified to vote in town affairs, held in the vestry in the first Parish in Bexford on tuesday the eighteenth day of August 1868

Chose Ancill Norman } Moderator.

Voted That there be a committee of three chosen to oppose the laying out of a road petitioned for by N. W. Hasen and others before the County Commissioners at their meeting Sept 3rd

Chose Roscoe W. Gage, Dean Andrews, Benjamin S Barnes } Committee

Voted that the committee be empowered to employ Counsel if in their judgement it be thought necessary.

" To dissolve the meeting.

R. W. Gage } Town Clerk.

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford, in the County of Essex, and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, qualified to vote for State, County, and Town Officers held in the usual place in the first Parish in said Boxford on Tuesday the third day of November A.D. 1868. for the purpose of giving in their votes to the Selectmen for the number of Electors of President and Vice President of the United States to which this Commonwealth is entitled, for Governor and Lieutenant Governor of this Commonwealth, for Representative to Congress from the Sixth District, for Councillor, for Treasurer and Receiver General, for Secretary of State, for Auditor of Accounts, for Attorney General of this Commonwealth, Also for Senator from the Third Essex District for a Representative to the General Court of this Commonwealth from the fifth Essex District for County Commissioner and two Special Commissioners, for a Register of Probate and Insolvency, for three Commissioners of Insolvency, and for a District Attorney for the Essex District;

Voted At the expiration of two hours and forty-two minutes from the opening of the Polls, that the Polls be closed.
The whole number of ballots given in was one hundred and fifty.

The whole number of ballots were sorted, counted, and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directed and were as follows viz

For Electors of President and Vice President (at large)
David Sears of Boston One hundred and sixteen
John H. Clifford of New Bedford one hundred and Sixteen
Josiah G. Abbott of Boston Thirty-one
John R. Briggs of Sheffield Thirty one

For an Elector for District No One
Richard L. Pease of Edgartown One hundred and Sixteen
Josiah T. Jones of Sandwich Thirty one

For an Elector from District No two
William Mason of Taunton One hundred and Sixteen
Samuel B. Shoster of Abington Thirty one

For an Elector from District No three.
William Whiting of Boston One hundred and Sixteen
James M Keith of Boston Thirty one

For an Elector from District No four
Frank B. Fay of Chelsea One hundred and Sixteen
Edwin C Barnes of Chelsea Thirty one

For an Elector from District No five
James N. Buffum of Lynn One hundred and Sixteen
Jonathan Nason of Amesbury Thirty one

For an Elector from District No six
George Cogswell of Bradford One hundred and fourteen
John K. Tarbox of Lawrence Thirty one

For an Elector from District No seven.
J. Wiley Edmands of Newton One hundred and Sixteen
William F. Salmon of Lowell Thirty one

For an Elector from District No eight.
Paul Whitin of Northbridge One hundred and Sixteen
Levi Barker of Worcester Thirty one

For an Elector from District No nine
Charles A. Stevens of Ware One hundred and Sixteen
J. Otis Hale of Hubbardston Thirty one

For an Elector from District No ten
Milton B. Whitney of Westfield One hundred and Sixteen
Henry W. Bishop of Lenox Thirty one

For Representative to Congress of the U. S. from Dist. of M. C.
Nathaniel P. Banks One hundred and fifteen
F. O. Prince of Winchester Thirty ~~one~~

For Governor of this Commonwealth
William Claflin of Newton had One hundred and fifteen
John Q. Adams of Quincy Thirty four

For Lieutenant Governor
Joseph Tucker of Lenox One hundred and fifteen
Reuben Noble of Westfield Thirty three

For Secretary of State
Oliver Warner of Northampton One hundred and Sixteen
Charles Brimblecomb of Barre Thirty three

For Attorney General
Charles Allen of Greenfield One hundred and sixteen
Wm. C. Endicott of Salem Thirty three

For Treasurer and Receiver General
Jacob H. Lowd of Plymouth One hundred and Sixteen
Harvey Arnold of Adams Thirty three

For Auditor of Accounts
Henry S. Briggs of Pittsfield One hundred and Sixteen
A. F. Severance of Roxbury Thirty three

For Councillor Fifth District
Roland G. Usher of Lynn One hundred and Sixteen
Jeremiah P. Jones of Georgetown Thirty three

For Special Commissioners
Amos Poor of West Newbury One hundred and Sixteen
Daniel W. Bartlett of Essex One hundred and Sixteen
John C. Choate of Essex Thirty Three
Mark Jewett of Rowley Thirty Three

for County Commissioner
Charles P. Preston of Danvers One hundred and fifteen
Charles Kimball of Ipswich Thirty four
for District Attorney
D. A. Abbott of Peabody Six
Edgar J. Sherman of Lawrence One hundred and nine
S. Edwin Treson of Lynn Thirty two
for Senator for Third Essex District
Jarius A Palmer of Boxford Ninety nine
Charles Ingalls of Methuen Thirty nine

For Representative to General Court from fifth Essex Dist
John G. Kurnes of Georgetown One hundred and six
Charles P. Lowe of Georgetown Thirty five
Edmund Bailey of Georgetown One
for Register of Probate and Insolvency
Abner C. Goodell Jr. of Salem One hundred and eight
Abner C. Goodell of Salem eight
James H. Carleton of Haverhill Thirty three
For Commissioner of Insolvency
William P. Upham of Salem One hundred and sixteen
William E. Thompson of Lawrence One hundred and sixteen
William E. Currier of Newburyport One hundred and sixteen
Nathaniel Pierce of Newburyport Thirty three
John W. Russell of Salem Thirty three
Minot Tirrell Jr. of Lynn Thirty three

For Sheriff of County of Essex.
Horatio G. Herrick of Lawrence One hundred and sixteen
William Welling Jr. of Marblehead Thirty three

Voted that this meeting be dissolved

F. W. Gage Town Clerk.

1869

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts qualified to vote for State County and Town Officers held in the Vestry in the first Parish in said Boxford on Monday the eighteenth day of January A.D. 1869 for the purpose of giving in their votes to the Selectmen for a Representative to the General Court of this Commonwealth for the 5th Essex District to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Capt John F Barnes.

Under a call of the Selectmen for votes for a Town Clerk Pro Tem (the Clerk being absent)

Chose (Wm E Killam) Clerk Pro. Tem.

Voted At the expiration of two hours after the opening of the Polls that the Polls be closed

The whole number of ballots given in were Fifty three

The whole number of ballots were sorted counted and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directed and were as follows Viz.

For Representative to General Court

O S Butler of Georgetown	Thirty
Charles P Lou[illegible] "	Thirteen

Voted To dissolve this meeting

Wm E Killam Clerk Pro Tem

1869

A legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford qualified to vote for Town officer and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the first Parish in said Boxford on Monday the eighteenth day of January A.D. 1869

Chose Benjamin S Barnes } Moderator
" Wm C Killam } Clerk Pro. Tem

Voted To choose a Committee of three persons to attend to the letting out of the road petitioned for by J L Spofford and others

Chose John J Kimball
William R Kimball } Committee
Benjamin S Barnes

Voted To choose a Committee of three to attend to the working of the road petitioned for by C W Hazen and others

Chose Joshua J Day
Jefferson Kimball } Committee
George Perley

Voted To dissolve the Meeting

Wm C Killam } Clerk Pro. Tem

1869 | At a legal meeting of the qualified voters in Boxford held in the vestry in the Second Parish in said Town on Monday the first day of March at ten o clock A.M. A.D. 1869

Choose | George W Chadwick } Moderator

Choose | William R Kimball } Clerk

Chose | George W Chadwick
William E. Killam } Selectmen
John R. Cole

Chose | John Peabody
William R Kimball } Constables

Chose | Daniel W Conant
William R Howe
Charles A. Barnes
Franklin Jaquith
Israel F. Stafford
Asa Kimball
John Peabody } Sything Men

Chose | Thomas P. Dorman
Andrew Frame
John Peabody
Joseph N. Pope
~~Charles R Anderson~~
John Pearl
Oliver P. Killam
~~Daniel Bixby~~
Asa Kimball } Field Drivers
Appointed by the Selectmen
James Carleton in place of Charles R. Anderson

Voted | that these officers be brought in on one ballot

Voted | that this committee consist of three

Chose | George W Chadwick
William E Killam } Trustees
John R Cole } Incurred

1869 | Voted to Chose Surveyors of Highways

James P Cleaveland
Orrell F Wilcox
~~Orrell Harriman~~
Francis Curtis
George Perry
Charles Perley
John Cole
Daniel Andrews
George Perley
Solomon W Lowe
Samuel Kimball
Ephraim F. Cole
Franklin Laquith
Israel Herrick
Benjamin F Barnes
~~Benjamin Francis~~
Augustus M. Perley
Henry Barker
Nathan Foster

Appointed by the Selectmen Jefferson Kimball in place of A Lowe

Surveyors of Highways

Appointed by the Selectmen Joseph B Adams in place of Benjamin Francis

Chose | Samuel Kimball | School Committee

Chose

Augustus Hayward
William Lowe
Andrew Frame
William Sargent
W. W. Willimore
Joshua T. Day
Daniel F Harriman
John Pearl
Lorenzo H Frame
Benjamin F Peabody
Orville L Abbey
Samuel Kimball

Surveyors of Lumber

Chose

Nathaniel F Spiller
Orrill L Abbey

Pound Keepers

1869

Chose: Amos Stevens, John Peabody, William Lowe, Jefferson Kimball, Charles C Barnes, Joshua T Day, William J. Badger, James Carles, Daniel F Hammon, William R Wilkins, Israel T Spofford, W W Whittemore — ~~Surveyors of Lumber~~ Measurers of Wood & Bark

Chose: John Hale — Sealer of Leather

Chose: Benjamin S. Barnes, William H Wood — Auditors

Chose: Francis Curtis, Ebenezer L Hooper, William E Killam, Daniel M Cole, Elizah Stiles, Oliver P. Killam — Fish Wardens ~~& Collector~~

Chose: Joshua T Day — Treasurer & Collector

Voted not to abolish the School Districts

Voted to Divide the House on the Subject; Lost

Voted That the Prudential Committee be allowed to Contract with the Teachers

Voted To take up the Sixth Article

Voted That the Several School Districts be allowed to Divide their School money as they may think best for the Winter and Summer terms of School

1867 Voted to accept the Selectboard Report without reading.

Voted To accept the Report of the fund committee and that the names of those holding the money be not read.

Voted To pass over the auditors Report without reading

Voted to take up the tenth Article

Voted To pass over this article for the Present

Voted To take up the Eleventh Article

Voted That all bills of the Town be brought before the Selectmen for allowance on or before the 20 day of Feb and that the Selectmen bills be brought before the Town for allowance

Voted To pass over the article in regard to the Fish Articles.

Voted to adopt the same rule as adopted last year

Voted To raise twelve Hundred Dollars the present year for the Support of School

Voted to raise one thousand Dollars for the amendments of Highways the present year

Voted to raise two hundred Dollars in addition to the one thousand dollars raised

Voted To adopt the same method as we had last year in regard to Compensation for Working on Highways

Voted to raise twelve Hundred Dollars for the Support of Schools the present year

Voted to an additional sum of three Hundred Dollars to the twelve hundred already raised Working $15.00.00

Voted to raise the sum of four thousand Dollars the present year to defray the expences of the Town the ensuing year

1869 | Collection of taxes be the Same Method as last year

Voted | To accepter the List of names as jurors

Voted | that it be left With the Selectmen in regard to paying any part of the Town Debt

Voted | to have the care of Widening the Road between the House of Henry Barker and the house of the Heirs of Benjamin Robinson to the Select men

Voted | to abate the Poll Taxes set to Waldron Wyman in Collectors Day's list of 1866 also the taxes set to Samuel M. Barker Frank Putnam and Waldron Wyman in Collectors Day's list of 1867

Voted | to take up the Second Article

Voted | to Choose a Treasurer and Collector at the Same time on one ballott

Voted | to take up the fourteenth articles

Voted | that the money from the town be devided equally between the Seven School Districts

Voted | to take up the third article

Voted ~~to Dissolve~~

Voted | that the following list of names of jurors as made out By the Selectmen Feb 20 1869

John Averill
Daniel W. Conant
Andrew Frame
George Pearly
Samuel Twisden
William E Killam
Israel Herrick
Stephen S. Adams
Oliver P. Killam
Charles Perley
William R Kimball
William H Wood
Francis C Whittier

Cont'd over

1869

Voted To allow a bill of Charge to Joshua V. Day of ninety four Dollars and twenty cents services as Selectmen Assessor and Overseers of the Poor 76.00

Committee on case of J. J. Porters case 15.00

Stationary and Postage 3.20

$ 94.20

Voted To allow a bill of Charge to the Estate of Roscoe W. Page for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor $ 85.00

Voted To allow a bill of Charge to John Pearl for services as Selectmen assessor and Overseer of the Poor including services in J. J. Porters case $ 49.00

Voted to Dissolve the Meeting

William R Kimball } Town Clerk

April 12. 1869 At a legal Meeting of the qualified voters of the Town of Boxford held in the hearing of the Second Parish in said town April 12. 1869

Choose John F Kimball Moderator

Voted To waive the reading of the warrant the second time

Voted To choose a Committee of six Persons to inspect all of the Property and apparatus belonging to the Several School Districts and that the Committee shall be a Resident of each School District

Voted That this committee be choose by Ballot

Choose Thomas Sawyer Jefferson Kimball Charles C. Stevens, William E. Kilham Joshua T. Day Daniel T. Harmon } Committee

Voted To take up the third Article in the warrant

Voted To pass over the third article

Voted To take up the second article in the warrant

Voted To accept the abolishing of the School Districts

Voted To Dissolve this Meeting

William R Kimball } Town Clerk

At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of Boxford Qualified to vote in Town affairs held in the Meeting house in the Second Parish in said Town on Tuesday the Second day of November at nine o Clock A.M.

Chose William E. Killam Moderator

Voted To Choose a Committee of one by Ballot to Confer with the Council of John McLaughlin and see how the case with him and the Town Concerning the Suit against said Town for Labor in Working the Road petitioned for by Thomas L. Hoffman and others may be adjusted

Choose William E. Killam Committee

Voted to pass over the Article in Regard to setting Willows on the Road petitioned for by Wm Hazen and others where the Road crosses Stripet Meadow so called and all other places where it should be thought necessary by Request of George Perley

Voted to Dissolve the Meeting

William R Kimball Town Clerk

At a Meeting of the qualified voters of the Town of Boxford held Nov 2d 1869 by the Call of the Selectmen for the purpose of bringing in ~~those~~ votes for Governor Lieutenant Governor of this Commonwealth for Councillor for Secretary of State for Treasurer and Receiver General for Auditor of accounts for Attorney General for Senator for the third District in the County of Essex for a Representative to the General Court of this Commonwealth for the fifth District in the County of Essex for a County Commissioner for Essex County all on one ballot

at the the expiration of two hours after opening the meeting it was voted to ~~Dissolve the meeting~~ Close the Polls

Carried over

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1869 The Whole number of ballots that were given in
Were one hundred and fourteen

The Whole number ballots were sorted counted and
declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directed
and here follows the following Persons viz

For Governor
William Claflin of Newton had seventy three votes
John Quincy Adams of Quincy thirty nine
Edwin M. Chamberlain of Boston four

For Lieutenant Governor
Joseph Tucker of Lenox had seventy three
Samuel C. Lamb of Greenfield thirty nine
James Chattaway of Springfield four

Secretary of the Commonwealth
Oliver Warner of Northampton had seventy three
John C. Tarbox of Lawrence " thirty nine
Hillman B. Pratt of Randolph ~~four~~

Treasurer and Receiver General
Jacob H. Loud of Plymouth seventy three
Levi Heywood of Gardner " thirty nine
N. D. Staddard of North Brookfield four

Attorney General
Charles Allen of Boston had seventy three
Josiah G. Abbott of Boston " thirty nine
Charles Cowley of Lowell " four

Auditor
Charles Endicott of Canton had seventy three
Phineas Allen of Pittsfield " thirty nine
Charles J. Goodwin of Haverhill four

Councellor for District No four
Rollanel C Usher of Lynn had seventy three
Jonathan Nagson of Amesbury thirty nine
Israel W Andrews of Danvers four

County Commissioner
James Kimball of Salem had sixty
Richard T Dodge of Ipswich thirty nine
Fredrick D. Burnham of New Ipswich four

Senator for third Essex District
Julius A. Palmer of Boxford had sixty four
Joseph V. House of Methuen forty two
Jas Sydney House of Methuen three

Representatives to General Court for 4th Essex Dist
Lemas C. Wardwell of Groveland had seventy three
Jacob Carter of Groveland " thirty two
Henry C. Rice of Groveland " three

Voted That this Meeting be Desolved

William R Kimball } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of Boxford held November 2d 1869 in Tuckers in the second church in said Town
Choose William E Killam Moderator

Voted to Choose a Committee of one by ballot to confer with the Council of John Mason and see if a compromise can be effected

Choose William E. Killam } Committee

Voted To Dissolve this Meeting

William R Kimball } Town Clerk

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of Bristol held in the Meeting in the Second Parish in said Town on Tuesday the Second day of November A.D. 1869

Choose George W. Chadwick Moderator

Voted to Choose a Committee of two to procure Council to Defend said Town in a Suit Brought against them By John Mangon

Choose William R Kimball } Committee
Benjamin S. Barnes }

Voted That the Committee be instructed to Bring the Case to an issue as soon as possible

Voted That this Meeting be Dissolved

William R Kimball Town Clerk

Bristol Nov 2d 1869

1870 At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of Boxford held in the first Parish in said Town on Monday the Seventh day of March A.D. 1870

Choose John H. Cole Moderator

Choose William R. Kimball Town Clerk

Choose Ancill Dorman

George W. Chadwick } Selectmen
Joshua T. Daly }

Choose Joseph H. Jones } Constables
Alanzo J. Perley }

Voted To Choose Seven Tything Men in the first Parish in Boxford

Choose Frederick A. Howe
Daniel Gaulet
Daniel West
William J. Savage
Samuel P. Gurley
James P. Cleavelan.d
William B. Howe
} Tything Men

Voted To Choose two in the second Parish

Chose Franklin Jaques
William R. Kimball

Voted To Choose Six Field Drivers

Choose Andrew Frame
Moses Dorman Esq
John G. Bailey
James Carleton
William R. Kimball
Francis C. Whittier
} Field Drivers

Voted To add one to the number all ready chosen

Choose John W. Brown

Choose Humphrey Perley
Thomas Sawyer
Valorus L. Moulton
George W. Chadwick
Richard H. Foster
Daniel Andrews
John Ancrell
Solomon W. Lowe
Horace Berry
Robert B. Anderson
William R. Kimball
Israel Herrick
John Hale
Albert Perley
James H. Nason
Asa Kimball
Solomon W. Howe
Benjamin French

Surveyors of Highways

Choose John Hale Sealer of Leather

William Lowe
John Parkhurst
Samuel Kimball
Augustus Hazzard
Samuel Berry
Andrew Frame
Jonathan J. Porter
Joshua T. Day
Samuel B. Carleton
Daniel F. Hammond
Orrell L. Honey
John Day

Surveyor of Lumber

Choose Jefferson Kimball
Aaron L. Porter

Pound Keeper

Voted to Choose twelve Measurers of Wood and Bark

Choose
Samuel Berry
William Lowe
William H. Wood
John Pearl
Samuel B. Carleton
Daniel F. Hammond
John Parkhurst
Benjamin F. Peabody
Amos Stevens
Israel Herrick
Joshua T. Day
Samuel P. Peabody

Measurers of Wood and Bark

Voted To dispense with Sealers

Voted That the House be divided passed in the negative

Voted To pass over the article of Fish Wardens

Voted To Defer choosing Treasurer for the Present

Voted To Choose a School Committee for three years

Choose William R. Kimball for three years } School Committee
William S. Cagger for one year

Voted To take up the Third article

Voted That the Town approve of the action of the Committee on School funds in Regard to a bequest to the Town of Joseph Foster and also of Miss Mary Kimball

Voted To pass over the Sixth Article for the Present

Voted That all bills be ~~[illegible]~~ Presented to the Selectmen for allowance but the Selectmen on or before the twentieth day of February 1871

and that the Selectmen bills be Brought before the Town for acceptance

Voted That the Roads be ~~[illegible]~~ cut as last year Eight feet wide and that all bills be Brought before the Selectmen and that no bill be allowed but those that are brought by the Surveyors of Highways. and that they be allowed fifteen Cents pr hour for a Man and fifteen Cents pr hour for a yoke of Oxen and that all bills be presented on or before the 20 day of February 187

Voted That the Town raise four thousand Dollars for the Expenses the current year

Voted To take up the ninth Article of the Warrant

Voted To raise twelve hundred Dollars for the Support of Schools the Present year

Voted That the School committee be requested to divide the School Money equally among the Several Schools

Voted That the Town raise one Thousand Dollars for repairs and amendments of the Highways the current year

Voted That the Surveyor of the highways notify every person he has a tax against and give him lawful notice and that he be allowed twenty cents pr hour and if he refuses to work on highways his tax that the Surveyor work the tax himself or hire hands to work said tax and return his list to the Assessors on or before the first day of August

Voted That the collection of taxes be let out to the lowest bidder struck off to Joshua T. Day at two Mills on a Dollar

Voted That all taxes shall be collected on or before the first day of January 1870

Voted To take up the Second Article
Voted To choose a Collector

Choose Joshua T. Day Collector and Treasurer

Voted To choose six Fence viewers three in each Parish
Voted Thirsby nomination

Choose John H. Cole
William R. Kimball
William C. Killam
Joshua T. Day
Benjamin S. Barnes
John Barker
} Fence viewers

Voted To accept Moses Dennis post serving as Tithingman
Chose Daniel West in his place

Voted To pass over the fourth article

Voted To abate a Poll tax set to William B. Brown in list of 1867
also to Orville L. Hoey in list of 1868 Deceased Prepay
also to William B. Blodgett in list of 1869

Voted To unite the third and fourth Schools in Boyd

Voted To Choose a Committee of three by Ballot residents Within the Limits of those two Schools to look into the of removing these School house or devising Methods that Will be of importance to the Several Schools and Report at the adjournment of this Meeting March 28

Choose Charles C. Stevens
Daniel Gaskill } Committee
Leverett V. Howe

Voted To Build a School House for the South School

Voted To Choose a Committee of three for the purpose of Building said House

Voted To take up the Sixth article

Choose Jonathan F. Porter
Henry Barker } Committee
Benjamin S. Barnes

Voted That this Committee ascertain the probable cost and determine the size and how to build and locate said House and to ascertain as near as possible every thing of interest that may pertain to Building and Cost of said House and report at the adjournment of this Meeting the 28th inst

Voted To allow a bill of Charge to George H. Chadwick of ninety nine Dollars and forty nine cents for his services as Selectman Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year $99.49

Voted To allow a bill of Charge to William E. Killam of twenty two Dollars and sixty four cents for his services Selectman Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year $22.64

Voted To allow a bill of Charge to John H. Cole of twenty eight Dollars and fifty five cents for his services as Selectman Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year $28.55

The following is a list names of Persons Presented by the Selectmen and accepted by the Town as jurors

Thomas Sawyer	John Barker
Solomon W. Howe	Philbridge Perley
George Perley	Charles R. Anderson
Daniel W Conant	George B. Austin
Albert Perley	John T. Wood
Solomon W Lowe	William H Wood
Joseph H. James	John Averill
Daniel Gould	Israel F. Sprafferd

Voted To adjourne three weeks from this day the 28. meet at 12 o'clock M

Meet March 28 according to adjournment at 12 o'c

Voted That School Houses be a free for religious and Political Meetings after having obtained the priviledge of the School Committee

Voted To choose a committee to take care of each School House
Voted They be chosen by nomination

Chose
No 1 Thomas Sawyer
2 Cornelius Pearsons
3 Edward G Batchelder
6 Joshua T. Day
7 Jonathan J. Porter
4 Charles C. Stevens
} Committee

Voted That the Tax be committed to the Collector on or before the first Day of October

Voted To take up the nineteenth Article of the Warrant

Voted That the Selectmen be instructed not to Permit the holding of a Muster in Boxford the present year and that they be instructed not to sign any Document Permitting them to hold the Muster in said Town

Voted | To take up the 20th Article of the Warrant

Voted | To leave the Matter of Repairing of the Road from the Third School House in Bosford by the Colored House to George Town Line near the House of Augustus Perry to the Selectmen that they view the Road and Report at some future Meeting

Voted | To take up the 18th Article

Voted | To take up the Seventh article
Voted | To to accept the Majority Report
Voted | To Divide the House on the Majority Report
decided in the aforenegative

Voted | To adjourn one hour

Meeting met according to adjournment
Voted | To take up the Second article
Chose | George L. Reynolds Surveyor of the highways in stead of Valonus Moulton Excused

Choose | William R. Kimball Constable in stead of A. J. Hinley Excused
Robert B Anderson Pound Keeper in stead of Aaron Pope Declined
Voted | To take up the 16th Article

Voted | To Build a School House for the Seventh School that will Seat forty four Scholars

Voted | To Appropriate The Sum of two Thousand Dollars for the Purpose of Building a house for the Seventh School in Bosford and that the Committee Locate Said house where they may think best Purchase the Land and Build Said House and fence the Lot and dig a well and performe all the Requisite duties and all for two Thousand Dollars

Voted | To choose a Committee of three to Locate the School House for the Second and Fourth School Choose Charles C. Thomas Daniel Gaskill Leonell S Hall Committee
Voted to Dissolve this Meeting

At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Boxford held March twenty eighth 1870

Choose Jonathan J. Porter Moderator

voted That the Committee Chosen to defend the Town in the case with John Mangon be authorised to settle the case by reference or otherwise as they may think best for the interest of the town or failing to settle to defend the case before the Superior Court

voted to Move the fourth Schoolhouse to a point as near the centre as a lot of land can be obtained at a Reasonable rate between the House of Charles C. Stevens and the House of Amos Stevens

voted To Reconsider the vote last passed

voted To purchase the Lot of Land owned by Mayor Wm Lane if it can be obtained and if not to purchase a lot as near as can be obtained at a Reasonable Rate

voted To dissolve the Meeting

William R. Kimball Town Clerk

May 16 At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of Boxford held in the Meeting house in the first Parish in said town on Monday the Seventeenth day of 1870

Choose Ancill Dorman Moderator

voted to pass over the first article in the Warrant

voted That the committee be instructed to Build a School House for the Seventh School in Boxford one Story high without a Basement

voted to dissolve this Meeting William R. Kimball Town

1870 At a legal Meeting of the Inhabitants of Boxford held in the Vestry in the first Parish in said Town on tuesday the sixth day of September AD 1870

Choose Benjamin S Barnes Moderator

Voted Not to allow any person Within the limits of the Town to Sell Ale. Porter. Strong Beer or Lager beer the Vote stood 116 9

Voted to Dissolve this Meeting

Boxford sept 6th AD 1870 William R. Kimball Town Clerk

At a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of Boxford held in the Vestry in said town on Tuesday November the Eighth AD 1870 for the purpose of giving in their Votes for the following officers for a Representative in the next Congress of the United States for District No. 4: Also to give in their ballots for a Governor Lieutenant Governor, Secretary Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor of Accounts and Attorney General of this Commonwealth.
Also for a Councillor for District No 6: Senator for the Third Essex District. And a Representative to the next General Court for the District Compose of the Towns of Georgetown Groveland and Boxford
Also the following County officers a clerk of the Courts for the county of Essex to fill an Existing vacancy a County Commissioner A. County Treasurer and a Register of Deeds for the Southern District of Essex The Votes for all offices will be Received on one ballot

The Polls will be open at Quarter before Twelve one o Clock P.M. and may be closed at Quarter before three o clock

The Whole number of Ballots for Governor was one hundred and three

Wendell Phillips Boston two } William Claflin had Sixty three Votes
John Quincy Adams of Quincy " forty "

1861

For Lieutenant Governor
Joseph Tucker of Lenox Sixty four votes
James Challaway of Springfield Forty Eight

Secretary of State or Commonwealth
Oliver Warner of Northampton Sixty five
L. Stevenson Jr of Hingham forty

Treasurer and Receiver General
Charles Adams Jr of North Brookfield Sixty
Levi Heywood of Gardner forty

Auditor of Accounts
Charles Endicott of Canton Sixty five
Phineas Allen of Pittsfield forty

Attorney General
Charles Allen of Boston Sixty five
William W. Warren of Brighton forty

Representative to Congress Dis No Six
Nathaniel P. Banks of Waltham Sixty five
John R. Tarbox of Lawrence forty

Clerk of the Courts
Alfred A. Abott of Peabody Sixty Eight
H R Fowler of Bradford one
J. J. Porter " " one
W R Kimball " " one
Nathaniel G. Spiller " one

County Commissioner
Jackson B. Weed of Haverhill Sixty five
W. H. Atherton of Bradford one
W B. Flume " " one
Richard S Dodge of Ipswich one
H Jaynes Boxford " three
W R Kimball " one
H A Moulton of Newburyport one

1870

Councellor for District No Two
John F. Harris of Marblehead Sixty five
Israel W. Andrews of Danvers Thirty Eight

County Treasurer
Allen W. Dodge of Hamilton Sixty four
John Hobbs of Ipswich Thirty Eight

Register of Deeds for South District
Ephraim Brown of Salem one hundred and three

For Senator Essex District No Three
Nathan P. Kimball of Haverhill Sixty four
Joseph V. Howe of Methuen forty

The Vote for Representative for the District No 5

George Lawrence Osgood	186	Boxford	
Noyes	73	Osgood	62 Votes Rep
Jones	57	Jones	39 " Dem
Groveland			
Osgood	124 Rep	Boxford Nov 10, 1870	
Jones	60 Dem		
Noyes	25 Labor R	William R. Kimball Town Clerk	

If a vote concerning the [illegible] Bridge
shall on the roll in the [illegible] be found
equal the Speaker the [illegible] shall decide

Ordered | Sir Richard Bourke
Moved | James the second seconding the motion
Ordered | James Macpherson
Ayes | George Cheadwick
David Cameron
James Cole
Noes | Joseph Lyons
William R. Cox
Motion | James Cegil Thompson in the chair
Ayes | Frederick Adams
James Macpherson
Northam & Williams
Jeremiah Foley
Henry Stevens
Eyre Hill Kynnersley
J. Francis Adams
Samuel Lord
Noes | Robert Cox in the 2nd house
Ayes | Matthew Jones
William R. Cox
Moved | Richard Chandler R. seconded to the Committee of Finance
Ayes | Richard Cox Field Stevens
Noes | Francis Gates
Northam Cameron
Joseph R. Lyons
William R. Cox
George Cheadwick
[illegible] Williams

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Voted | to choose fence viewers & surveyors of [illegible]
Chose | [illegible] Bixby
[illegible] W. [illegible]
[illegible] Gray
John Parker
[illegible]
Daniel [illegible]
[illegible]
Benjamin [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] Gray
[illegible]

Voted | to take up the [illegible] article
Chose | [illegible] of committee for three years

Voted | to accept the report of the Selectmen relative to [illegible]

Voted | to take up the [illegible] article

Voted | [illegible] to the Town

Voted | that the 11th article be indefinitely postponed

Voted | to pass over the [illegible] article

Voted | to adjourn one hour

Met according to adjournment
Voted | to take up the [illegible] article

Voted | that the Selectmen be authorized to straighten the [illegible] at their expense

15th " Take up the Poll Tax Bill

" Indefinitely Postpone the Cattle Bill

" Take up the Poll Tax Bill

" In accordance with the vote of the 2nd Inst. on the Report of the Committee on Public Lands

" To accept and Adopt

Feb 2 Read the Report of the Committee on Public Lands on the expenditures and expenditures of the Town Council

" To accept and Adopt

Feb 3 Take up the Poll Tax Bill

Feb 4 To allow a bill of charge for $ [illegible] for [illegible] and [illegible] Dollars for services and materials in Constructing Stoddard and Cleaning the Gas the last year

Services	[illegible]
Cash paid, materials	[illegible]
	[illegible]

Feb 4 To allow other bills against the School Committee for abatements

Feb 4 To allow a bill of charge for [illegible] Factory [illegible] Dollars and eighty two cents for services as one of the Building Committee of the Public School House in Bradford

Services & [illegible] expended	[illegible]
Services about School House	[illegible]
Furnishing [illegible] of House	[illegible]
Services & expenses for [illegible]	[illegible]
Services [illegible] House	[illegible]
Hand & Heavy [illegible]	[illegible]
	$ [illegible]

Voted | To allow a bill of charge to Geo. W. Chadwick of fifty two dollars for service as one of the Selectmen [illegible] Overseers of the Poor the last year $52.00

Voted | To allow a bill of charge to Joshua T. Day of sixty one dollars and twenty five cents for service and cash paid as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year

Services	60.00
Cash paid for Printing	.75
Cash paid for Postage & Stationery	50
	61.25

Voted | To allow a bill of charge to Joshua T. Day of thirty four dollars and forty five cents for services and cash paid as Treasurer of the Town the past year

Services	28.00
Cash paid for Carfare	4.20
" " " Expressage	.50
" " " Lien Revenue	1.75
	$34.45

Voted | To take up the 8th article

That all bills for service against the Town except the bills of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor be presented to the Selectmen for allowance on or before the twentieth day of February 1872

Voted | To adopt the same measures as were last year adopted for breaking out the roads when encumbered with snow.

Voted | To raise the sum of $12-00.00 for the support of Schools the ensuing year -- and to divide the same [illegible] Schools

Voted | To raise the sum of $4000.00 for Town expenses the ensuing year

Voted | To raise the sum of $1000,00 for the repairs of Highways and Bridges the current year

" | To raise the sum of $200.00 in addition to the above amount for repairs of Highways and Bridges the current year.

Voted | That the money be expended in the following manner. That a man be allowed twenty cents per hour, for a yoke of oxen twenty cents per hour. a horse and horse cart twenty cents per hour a Ox Shovel twelve and one half cents per hour a plough twelve and one half cents per hour a cart five cents per hour while employed on the Highways

Voted | That the taxes be committed to the Collector on or before the first day of September

Voted | to let out the collection of the taxes to the lowest bidder

Voted | That all taxes be collected before the first day of November

Voted | That the Moderator let out the taxes to the lowest bidder. Struck off to Joshua T. Day for one half of a mill on a dollar

Voted | To accept the following list of names of Jurors nominated by the Select men.

Augustus M. Carey	[illegible]
James P. Dorman	John Barker
Samuel P. Peabody	Harrison O. Ross
John S. Sayward	Israel S. Spofford
Israel Herrick	Franklin Jaques
Judah H. Davis	George B. Austin
Benjamin Davis	Isaac G. Day

Voted to pass over the 4th article

Voted to reconsider the vote whereby it was voted to indefinitely postpone the 5th article

Voted to take up the 4th article

Voted that be established the school District system

Voted to adopt the same action as proposed to the building of a building department in the town that was adopted last year

Voted to pass over the 5th article

Voted that the selectmen be authorized to purchase one or more gravel pits for the use of the town and repairing the highways

Voted to choose two auditors for the ensuing year

Chose Joshua E. Robinson
William H. Wood

Voted that the auditors make out their report and have it printed and connected so soon as possible after the books are delivered to them

Voted to choose three fence viewers by nomination

Chose Thomas Jones, George Bell, [illegible]

Voted to take up the 6th article

Voted [illegible]

Voted [illegible]

Voted [illegible]

Voted [illegible]

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford qualified to vote at elections and in Town affairs held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said Town on Wednesday the 2nd day of August A D 1871

Chose William C Kimball Moderator

Voted That the Resolutions offered by F. A Howe be voted on separately

Voted That in voting on the Resolutions that the vote be taken by Yeas and Nays

Voted To reconsider the Vote last passed

Voted That the house be divided on the question relating to the acceptance of the Resolutions

Voted to adopt the First Resolution offered by F A Howe viz. "That it is not advisable nor desirable to have the 2nd Brigade or any other division of

1871 | the State Militia encamps within the limits of this Town at any time during this year"
The vote was forty seven in favor of the above Resolution and twenty four against

Voted | To adopt the following Resolution Viz. "That the vote passed at our Annual Town Meeting held in the month of March in regard to encampments of the State Militia being held within our Town shall remain upon the Town record just as it was recorded at that time

Voted | To adopt the following Resolution presented by Ancill Dorman Viz. "That in view of the evils that attended the Military Encampment held in Roxford in 1869. We the inhabitants of said Town, in Town meeting assembled, earnestly request the Governor & Commander in chief, not to issue any order authorizing the holding of such an encampment within our limits the present year"

Voted | To dissolve the meeting

Wm P Gorman Town Clerk

1871 At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford in the County of Essex qualified, as by the constitution required, to vote for Civil Officers holden at the Vestry in the Second Parish in said Town, on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November being the seventh day of said month in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy one for the purpose of giving in their votes for a Governor Lieutenant Governor Secretary, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor of Accounts, and Attorney General, for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Also, for Councillor for District Number Five
Also, for a District Attorney for the Eastern District
Also, for a Sheriff, Clerk of Courts, County Commissioner, two Special Commissioners, and three Commissioners of Insolvency for the County of Essex.
Also, for a Senator for the Third Essex District
Also, for a Representative in the General Court for District Number Five in the County of Essex - All on one ballot

At the expiration of two hours from the opening of the polls it was
Voted That the polls be closed

The whole number of ballots given in was One hundred and two

The whole number of ballots were sorted, counted, recorded and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directed and were for the following persons viz.

For Governor

William B Washburn of Greenfield Sixty four
John Q Adams of Quincy Thirty five
Robert C Pitman of New Bedford Two
Edwin M Chamberlin of Boston One

For Lieutenant Governor
Joseph Tucker of Lenox Sixty four
Samuel O Lamb of Greenfield Thirty five
Elisphalet Trask of Springfield Two
Allen Dean of Westfield One

For Secretary
Oliver Warner of Northampton Sixty four
Luther Stephenson Jr of Kingham Thirty five
George S Bell of Upton Two
Henry B Maglathlin of Duxbury One

For Treasurer and Receiver General
Charles Adams Jr of North Brookfield Sixty four
Levi Haywood of Gardner Thirty five
John E Baker of Beverly Two
Henry T. Delano of Charlestown One

For Attorney General
Charles R Train of Boston Sixty four
William W Warren of Brighton Thirty five
Samuel T. Field of Shelburn Two
George L Ruffin of Boston One

For Auditor of Accounts
Charles Endicott of Canton Sixty four
Phineas Allen of Pittsfield Thirty five
Ezra S Conant of Randolph Two
George P Sanderson of Lynn One

For Councillor Fifth District
John F Harris of Marblehead Sixty four
John W Russell of Salem Thirty five
E. W. Andrews of Danvers One

For Senator Third Essex District
Nathan S Kimball of Haverhill Sixty four
John K Tarbox of Lawrence Thirty six

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For Sheriff
Horatio G Herrick of Lawrence Sixty five
William C Binney of Amesbury Thirty five

For District Attorney Eastern District
Edgar J Sherman of Lawrence Sixty five
Henry M Merrill of Haverhill Thirty five

For Clerk of Courts
Alfred A Abbott of Peabody Sixty four
Jeremiah P Jones of Georgetown Thirty five

For County Commissioner
Charles P Preston of Danvers Sixty four
Benjamin A. Ward of Lynn Thirty five

For Special Commissioners
Aaron Sawyer of Amesbury Sixty four
Nehimiah Burnham of Essex Sixty four
Robert W Burnham of Essex Thirty five
Horace J Monroe of Lynn Thirty five
Horace E Monroe of Lynn One

For Commissioners of Insolvency
William L Thompson of Lawrence Sixty four
Dean Peabody of Lynn Sixty four
N J Holden of Salem Sixty four
John R Baker of Ipswich Thirty four
John C Sanborn of Lawrence Thirty four
Charles O Morse of Newburyport Thirty four

For Representative Fifth Essex District
Everett Hopkinson of Groveland Sixty three
Mark Griffin of Groveland Thirty four
Henry C Rice of Groveland One

Voted To dissolve this meeting

Thos. P. Dorman Town Clerk

1871

At a meeting of the Town Clerks of the Towns of Groveland Georgetown and Boxford held at the office of the Town Clerk of Georgetown on Wednesday the eighth day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy one for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the Election of a Representative in the General Court for the Fifth Essex District. the votes returned by the Officers of the said Towns were as follows:

In Georgetown

Leverett Hopkinson of Groveland had one hundred and nineteen
Mark Griffin of Groveland had Sixty eight
Henry C Rice of Groveland had Forty six

In Groveland

Leverett Hopkinson of Groveland had One hundred and twenty nine
Mark Griffin of Groveland had Fifty seven
Henry C Rice of Groveland had Twenty two

In Boxford

Leverett Hopkinson of Groveland had Sixty three
Mark Griffin of Groveland had Thirty four
Henry C Rice of Groveland One

Total

Leverett Hopkinson had Three Hundred and eleven
Mark Griffin had One Hundred and Fifty nine
Henry C Rice had Sixty nine

Thos P Dorman Town Clerk

1872 At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford qualified to vote at Elections and in Town affairs held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said Town on Monday the fourth day of March A. D. 1872

Chose John K. Cole Moderator

" Thomas P. Dorman Town Clerk

Chose Thomas P. Dorman, George W. Chadwick, William R. Kimball } Selectmen

Chose Cornelius Pearson, Isaac C. Day } Constables

Voted To choose two Tythingmen in the First Parish
Chose Francis Marden
Amos Stevens
Voted To choose one in the Second Parish
Chose Charles R. Anderson

Voted To choose six Field drivers
Chose Nathaniel Smith
Eben S. Gould
William J. Savage
William R. Kimball
John Pearl
Charles Perley

Voted To take up the 4th article in the warrant

Voted Not to accept the Provisions of Chap. 158 of the Laws of 1871 providing for the election of Road Commissioners,

Voted To take up the 5th article

1872 Voted, To choose nineteen Surveyors of Highways for the present year
Voted That the Selectmen, on or before the fifteenth day of April next, apportion to each Surveyor such part of the amount voted for repairs of Highways as they may think best, having regard as far as may be to the condition of the roads in each Highway district and it shall be the duty of such Surveyor faithfully and economically to expend the sum thus committed to him in making the necessary repairs of Highways within his district

Voted To allow the same compensation per hour for work to Surveyors of Highways and to such men and teams as they employ, as was last year allowed

Voted That the Selectmen be authorized to draw orders on the Treasurer for the amounts assigned to each Surveyor at such time or times as the Selectmen deem proper

Voted To take up the 2nd Article
Chose Henry Newhall } Pound Keepers
Aaron L Parker }

Voted To choose sixteen Measurers of Wood and Bark
Chose

Amos Stevens	John Pearl
Samuel P Peabody	John Barker
John Peabody	Ephraim F Cole
Samuel Bixby	George Pearl
John Parkhurst	Solomon W Howe
Augustus Hayward	Nathan K Fowler
Daniel F Harriman	Samuel Kimball
Thomas Sawyer	John Day

Voted To choose six Surveyors of Lumber
Chose

John Parkhurst	John Pearl
Samuel Kimball	Daniel F Harriman
Solomon W Howe	Joshua T. Day

1872

Chose | John Hale Sealer of Leather

Chose | William E Killam
Samuel Killam
George Pearl
Henry A Towne
John Parkhurst
Ephraim F Cole
Benjamin S Barnes
William E Perley
Solomon W Howe
Samuel B Carleton
George W Chadwick
John K Cole
Daniel Andrews
Joseph H James
Franklin Jagues
Israel Herrick
Augustus M Perley
George B Austin
Thomas L Spofford
} Surveyors of Highways

Voted | To choose three Fence Viewers
Chose | Thomas Sawyer, George Perley, William H Wood

Voted | To choose two Auditors for the current year
Chose | William E Killam, William H Wood

Chose | William E Killam Treasurer and Collector

Chose | William E Killam School Committee for three years
Rev. Seymo D Gammell " " " two years

Voted | To take up the 6th article

Voted | To accept the Report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Posts and Boards

Voted | To accept the Report of the Committee on School Funds

1872

Voted Not to reestablish the School District system

Voted To allow a bill of charge to George W. Chadwick of eighty four dollars for services as Chairman of Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor, the past year including cash paid for paper and carfare $ 85.00

Voted To allow a bill of charge of One Hundred and seventy six dollars and twenty four cents presented by Julius H Palmer being one half of the Tax assessed upon the estate of Stephen A. Bowles, of Roxbury which was assessed and collected in Braintree $176.24

Voted To allow a bill of charge of seven dollars and ten cents presented by Elvin P Killam for repairs of Highways by order of the Surveyor $7.10

Voted To allow a bill of charge of sixty three dollars and fifty five cents presented by Ancill Dorman for service as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year including cash paid for Justice's fees Stationery, Travel &c. $63.55

Voted To allow a bill of charge of twenty eight dollars presented by John [illegible] for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year $28.00

Voted To raise the sum of Twelve Hundred dollars for the support of schools the current year

Voted That the School Committee be requested to divide the money equally among the several schools

Voted To raise the sum of One Thousand dollars for repairs and amendments of Highways and Bridges the current year

Voted to raise the sum of Four Thousand dollars to defray town expenses and charges the current year

Voted That the Town taxes be committed to the Collector within three days of the First of September and that they be collected before the first of November

Voted That a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes voluntarily paid before the First day of October and a discount of two per cent on those paid before the First day of November

Voted To accept the following list of names of jurors presented by the Selectmen

George B. Austin	Horace Berry
Franklin Jaques	Samuel S. Peabody
James H. Mason	John Parkhurst
Samuel C. Day	Thomas P. Dorman
Nathan K. Fowler	Peter Strout
Thomas L. Spofford	Daniel Bixby
John T. Wood	John L. Killam

Voted That so much of the Highway tax as was assessed upon Bank stock the past year be refunded to such persons as have paid said tax and voted to such as have not

Voted That when the roads are encumbered with snow the surveyors be required to break them out eight feet wide and to allow for a man fifteen cents per hour and for a yoke of oxen fifteen cents per hour while employed under their direction in breaking out the roads and to present all bills for such service to the Selectmen for allowance before the twentieth of February 1873

Voted That all bills against the Town excepting the Selectmens be allowed by the Selectmen and that their bills be presented to the Town for allowance

Voted That the Selectmen be instructed to use all their influence to prevent an encampment of the State Militia being held within the limits of this Town at any time during the current year

Voted Accept the Report of the Auditors

Voted That the School Committee be authorized to retain the Money unexpended upon the School on Spofford's plain and to expend the same upon the next Winters term of said school

Voted That the Committee appointed to move, extend and repair the School House on Spofords plain, and also the Committee chosen to build the new School House in the Second Parish in Boxford be required to make Report of their Proceedings at the next annual meeting

Voted To dissolve this Meeting

Thos. F. Dowse Town Clerk

1872 [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

A true copy attest Ancill Dorman Clerk pro tem.

Appointment of Town Clerk pro tempore

In consequence of the sickness of Thomas P. Dorman the present Town Clerk of Boxford, which renders him unable to discharge any of the duties of said office the subscribers in accordance with the provisions of Ch 18th Sec 48, of the General Statutes, hereby appoint Ancill Dorman Clerk pro tempore, to perform the duties contemplated in said section

Given under our hands at Boxford this thirteenth day of August A.D. 1872

Geo. W Chadwick } Selectmen
William R Kimball } of Boxford

The Clerk was sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of the office by William R Kimball Justice of the Peace

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said Town on Saturday the twenty fourth day of August 1872
The Town Clerk being absent, the meeting was called to order by the Selectmen and in accordance with the provisions of Ch 18 Sec 47 of the General Statutes Ansell Dorman was chosen Town Clerk Pro tempore
The Clerk was sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of the office by William R Kimball, Justice of the Peace

John S Hayward was chosen Moderator

Voted That Joseph Howe Esq the Executor of the will of the late J. Tyler Barker be requested to read the said will. a copy of which he accordingly read.

Voted To accept the provisions of the will of the late J Tyler Barker

Voted That a Committee of one be chosen to act in conjunction with the Executor in carrying forward the necessary measures to establish the validity of the will of the late J Tyler Barker.

Chose E. F. Wood Committee for that purpose

Voted To adjourn without day

Ansell Dorman } Town Clerk
Pro tempore

1872
Aug 24.

At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford held in the vestry in the First Parish in said Town on Saturday the twenty fourth day of August A.D. 1872

The Town Clerk being absent, the meeting was called to order by the Selectmen and in accordance with the provisions of Ch 18, Sec. 47 of the General Statutes in such cases made and provided,

Choice of Clerk — Ancill Dorman was chosen Town Clerk. Pro tempore

The Clerk was sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of the office by William R Kimball, Justice of the Peace

Chose — E. L. Wood Moderator

Voted — To choose a Committee of three who shall serve without pay, to confer with the County Commissioners in regard to the straightening, widening, &c of the road petitioned for by Joshua T. Day and others

Chose — Daniel F Harriman, Nathan K. Fowler, Franklin Jaques } Committee

Voted — That the Committee be instructed to advocate the widening, straightening &c of said road

Voted — To dissolve the meeting

Ancill Dorman Town Clerk
Pro tempore

1872 At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Ipswich qualified as by the Constitution required to vote in Elections, holden at the Vestry in the First Parish on Tuesday the fifth day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy two for the purpose of giving in their votes for the number of Electors of President and Vice President of the United States to which this Commonwealth is entitled. Also for a Representative in Congress from the Sixth Mass District. Also for Governor, Lieutenant Governor Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor of Accounts and Attorney General of this Commonwealth. Also for a Councillor from the Fifth District. Also for a County Commissioner Also for a Senator from the Third Essex District, and and a Representative in General Court from the Fifth Essex District.

The Town Clerk not being present, Ancill Dorman was chosen Town Clerk pro tem and was sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of the office by William R. Kimball, Justice of the Peace.

At the expiration of two hours from the time the polls were opened it was ~~voted~~
Voted that the polls be closed

The whole number of ballots given in was one hundred and forty five

The whole number of ballots were sorted counted recorded and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directed and were for the following persons viz

For Electors of President and Vice President at large
Ebenezer R. Hoar of Concord, one hundred and nine
John M. Forbes of Milton one hundred and nine
Ithester W. Chapin of Springfield three rty two
Josiah G. Abbott of Boston twenty two

Electors

District No 1	William T. Davis of Plymouth	One hundred and nine
"	George Delano of New Bedford	twenty two
" No 2	Harrison Tweed of Taunton	One hundred and nine
"	James E. Carpenter of Foxboro'	twenty two
No 3	Alvin Simonds of Boston	One hundred and nine
	Charles A. B. Shepard of Boston	twenty two
No 4	Edward H. Dunn of Boston	One hundred and nine
	Joseph Emerdean of Chealsea	twenty two
No 5	Amos F. Breed of Lynn	One hundred and nine
	Richard Frothingham of Charlestown	twenty two
No 6	Luther Day of Haverhill	One hundred and nine
	John A. Bassett of Salem	twenty two
No 7	John C. Hoadley of Lawrence	One hundred and nine
	William H. Clemence of Lowell	twenty two
No 8	Aaron C. Mayhew of Milford	One hundred and nine
	Henry W. Muzzey of Cambridge	twenty two
No 9	Stephen Salisbury of Worcester	One hundred and nine
	Isaac Davis of Worcester	twenty two
No 10	Levi Stockbridge of Amherst	One hundred and nine
	C. H. B. Snow of Fitchburg	twenty two
No 11	Henry Alexander Jr of Springfield	One hundred and nine
	Charles W. Knox of Chester	twenty two

For Governor of the Commonwealth

William B. Washburn of Greenfield One hundred and ten

Francis W. Bird of Walpole thirty

1872

For Lieutenant Governor
Thomas Talbot of Billerica One hundred and ten
William L. Smith of Springfield thirty

For Secretary of State
Oliver Warner of Northampton One hundred and eight
George H. Munroe of Boston thirty three

For Treasurer and Receiver General
Charles Adams Jr of North Brookfield One hundred and eight
Levi Haywood of Gardner thirty three

For Attorney General
Charles R Train of Boston One hundred and eight
Waldo Colburn of Dedham thirty three

For Auditor
Charles Endicott of Canton One hundred and seven
Patrick A. Collins of Boston thirty two

For Representative to Congress
Benjamin F Butler of Gloucester One hundred and eight
Charles P Thompson of Gloucester thirty three

For Councillor Fifth District
Daniel H. Stickney of Groveland One hundred and ~~eight~~ (107)
John M. Poor of Haverhill thirty four

For Senator Third District
Lathan W. Harmon of Lawrence one hundred and eight
Frank Davis of Lawrence thirty three

For County Commissioner
James Kimball of Salem one hundred and seven
Benjamin A. Ward of Lynn thirty four

Representative to General Court 5th Essex District
Charles Kerley of Boxford sixty
C. Frank Wood of Boxford seventy three
} Voted to dissolve the meeting. Amos Dorman Town Clk pro tem

1872 At a meeting of the Clerks of the Towns of Georgetown Groveland and Boxford, held at the office of the Town Clerk of Georgetown on Wednesday the sixth day of November in the year One thousand Eight hundred and seventy two. for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the election of a Representative to the General Court for the Fifth Essex District, the votes returned by the officers of the said Towns were as follows

In Georgetown

Charles Perley of Boxford had two hundred and forty
E. Frank Wood of Boxford had one hundred and nineteen
John Knapp had one

In Groveland

Charles Perley of Boxford had one hundred and eighty four
E. Frank Wood of Boxford had ninety five
Jacob Goggin had one

In Boxford

Charles Perley of Boxford had sixty
E. Frank Wood of Boxford had seventy three

Total

Charles Perley had four hundred and eighty four
E. Frank Wood had two hundred any eighty seven
John Knapp had one
Jacob Goggin had one

Aneill Dorman Town Clerk pro tem

1872 At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of [illegible]ford qualified to vote at elections and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said Town on Thursday the twenty first day of November A.D. 1872

[illegible]

Voted That the Selectmen be authorized to furnish a book of blank forms of promissory notes for the use of the Town treasurer provided in such form as the [illegible] shall be the duty of the treasurer whenever it shall become necessary for him to issue notes for money borrowed for the use of the Town, to make use of the forms so furnished and [illegible] and to fill out the duplicates attached thereto in conformity to the notes, and in no case shall he be authorized to issue a note without the approval of one or more of the selectmen expressed thereon

Voted That the Treasurer be authorized under the direction of the Selectmen, to take up any or all notes for indebtedness of which the Town is now liable and as far as the Selectmen shall deem it necessary, to issue [illegible] notes upon the forms to be furnished him

Voted That the Town Clerk be instructed to copy for preservation and future reference from the first Town Record book the Marriages, Deaths and also the Intentions of Marriage [illegible] recorded; the Marriages, Deaths and Intentions [illegible] separately recorded either in alphabetical order or as near as can be in the order of time, and that the Clerk be authorized to procure a suitable book for that [illegible]

Voted That this meeting be dissolved

[illegible]

1873 At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Boxford qualified to vote at Elections and in town affairs, held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said Town on Monday the third day of March A. D. 1873.

The Town Clerk not being present, the meeting was called to order by George W. Chadwick in behalf of the Selectmen, and

Choice of Clerk pro tem. Ancill Dorman was chosen Clerk pro tempore and sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of the office by Wm R. Kimball, Justice of the Peace

The warrant for the meeting was then read by the clerk and under its first article the Voters present

Chose John K. Cole Moderator

Attest Ancill Dorman, Town Clerk pro tem

After the proceedings above recorded the second article was taken up and

Choice of Town Clerk Ancill Dorman was chosen Town Clerk

Chose Oliver P. Killam, Ancill Dorman, John K. Cole } Selectmen

Chose Daniel S. Gillis, William F. Harriman } Constables

Voted Not to choose Tythingmen

Chose Andrew Frame, Edward G. Batchelder, S. Frank Ayers, Wm R. Kimball, J. J. Porter, Geo. B. Austin } Field drivers

Voted To take up the fourth article of the warrant

Voted To pass over the fourth article " " "

1873 The second article of the warrant resumed

Chose

William E. Killam
Samuel Killam
Daniel Le Runnels
Henry A. Towne
John Parkhurst
Oliver P. Killam
Benjr S Barnes
William F Harriman
Walter French declined & Wm Brown appointed
Samuel B. Tarleton

Surveyors of Highways

Charles Perley
John Sawyer
Daniel Andrews
Joseph H Janes
Franklin Jagues
Israel Herrick
Augustus M. Perley
Asa Kimball
Samuel Sias

Chose

Oliver P. Killam
Ancill Dorman
John K. Cole

Fence Viewers

Chose

Amos Stevens
John Parkhurst
Samuel Bixby
Andrew Frame
John Peabody
Daniel F. Harriman
John Pearl
Samuel B. Tarleton
Oliver P. Killam
James Tarleton

Measurers of Wood & Bark

1873

Chose John Peabody, Israel Herrick, Solomon W. Howe, John Parkhurst, Samuel Kimball, Andrew Frame, Daniel S. Gillis, Daniel F. Harrinsan, John Pearl, James Carleton, John Day — Surveyors of Lumber

Chose John Peabody, William H. Wood — Auditors

Chose William E. Killam — Treasurer

Voted To suspend further action on the second article for the present

Chose Rev Calvin E. Park School Committee for three years

Voted To adopt the vote of last year in regard to repairs and amendments of Highways which was as follows That the Selectmen on or before the fifteenth day of April next, apportion to each Surveyor such part of the amount voted for repairs of Highways as they may think best, having regard as far as may be, to the condition of the roads in each Highway District. and it shall be the duty of each surveyor faithfully and economically to expend the sum thus committed to him in making the necessary repairs of Highways within his district.

Voted That Surveyors of Highways and those under their employ be allowed as follows

For a man twenty cents per hour for a yoke of Oxen twenty cents per hour. For a Horse & Horse Cart twenty cents per hour for two horses & a cart twenty five cents per hour.. for an Ox Shovel and Plough each fifteen cents per hour and for

an Ox Cart five cents per hour while employed on the Highways.

Voted That the Selectmen be instructed to view the roads and rail such portions of the same as they think necessary

Voted To amend the Report on Guide boards by adding a board near the house of C. C. Stevens marked Lawrence

Voted To accept the Report on Guide Posts and Boards

Voted To accept the report of the Committee on School Funds

Voted To pass over the ninth article (Auditors Report not printed)

Voted To accept the report of C. C. Stevens relative to the removal location and repair of the School House now standing on Spoffords Plain.

Voted To refer the matter of ascertaining the expense of building the School House in the centre of the Second Parish to the Auditors, to report at the adjournment of this meeting, or if there is no adjournment, to the next business meeting of the town

Voted To accept the following list of Jurors

Horace Berry	George B Austin
Samuel P Peabody	Franklin Jaques
John Parkhurst	James H. Nason
Solomon W. Howe	Isaac C. Day
Peter Strout	Nathan K. Fowler
Leverett S. Howe	Charles A. Spofford
John L. Killam	John T. Wood

Voted To allow a bill of charge from Thomas P. Dorman for Service as Chairman of the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year $57.41

To cash paid for Travel Postage Stationery Express &c 37.81

$95.22

1873

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Geo W Chadwick for service as Selectman. Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year $80.00
To cash paid for Travel. Postage Stationery &c 15.51
95.51

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by William R. Kimball for service as Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year including cash paid $56.75
For use of Horse and Wagon 12.00
$68.75

Voted To allow a bill of charge from R. B. Anderson for labor and cash paid in repairing Highways $30.00

Voted That twenty cents per hour for a man and twenty cents for a yoke of Oxen be allowed for pathing snow the past year and that the Selectmen be instructed to make up the deficiency to those persons who have been paid at the rate of fifteen cents per hour

Voted To pass over the thirteenth article
" To pass over the fourteenth "

Voted To raise twelve hundred dollars $1200.00, for the support of Schools the current year and that the money be equally divided among the several Schools

Voted To raise five thousand dollars $5000.00, to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the Town.

Voted To raise fifteen hundred dollars $1500.00, for repairs and amendments of Highways

Voted To raise three hundred dollars $300.00, as a reserve fund to be drawn from, if necessary, by the Selectmen in cases of deficiency or emergency, for repairs of Highways

Voted That the taxes be committed to the Collector the first of September and collected before the first day of November next ensuing

1873

Voted That a discount of four percent be allowed on all taxes voluntarily paid to the Collector before the first day of October and a discount of two percent on all paid before the first day of November.

Voted That when the roads are encumbered with snow the Surveyors be instructed to break them out eight feet wide and that they allow a man twenty cents per hour a Yoke of Oxen twenty cents per hour and for a Horse fifteen cents per hour while engaged in such service.

Voted To pass over the twentieth article

Voted That the unexpended money appropriated to any of the Town Schools the past year be retained by the School Committee for the benefit of such Schools the ensuing year

Voted To pass over the twenty second article

Voted To pass over the twenty third article

Voted To abate a tax of one dollar and six cents $1,06, set to Ariel H Goulds in Wm E Killams list for 1872

Voted To take up the second article of the warrant

Chose William E Killam Collector

Voted To take up the thirteenth article

Voted That the Treasurer and Collector presint his bill to the Selectmen for allowance

Voted That the Selectmen present their bills to the Town for allowance

Voted To Dissolve the meeting

Attest

Ariell Dorman Town clerk

1873

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified to vote in Elections and in town affairs, held in the Vestry in the second Parish on Monday the fourth day of August A.D. 1873.

Capt John Peabody was chosen Moderator

Voted That the Selectmen be a committee to let out and see to the working of the newly located portions of highway between the West Parish Meeting house and Bradford line, as ordered by the County Commissioners.

Voted To refer the matter of removing the Town Pound in the First Parish to the Selectmen with authority to take such action as they think best.

Voted To accept the report of the Auditors relative to the cost of the School house near the Meeting house in the Second Parish. Total cost as per report $1891.08. exclusive of committee charges of $82.39

Voted To pass over the 5th article of the warrant

Voted To Dissolve the Meeting

Attest
Ancill Dorman Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the qualified Voters of the town of Boxford held in the Vestry in the Second Parish of said town on Tuesday the fourth day of November A.D. 1873

John Peabody was chosen Moderator

Widening of road near Samuel Flints

The following was reported by the Selectmen.

We the Selectmen of the town of Boxford having complied with the requirements of law in relation to notifying the owners of land over which we were

1873

Petitioned by William R. Trimball and others to widen a town way near the West Parish Meeting House, have widened the same as follows, Beginning at a stake near the northerly side of the old Hay scales on the line of the road leading westerly to North Andover, said stake being six rods and twenty three links from the N.W. corner of the new School House, thence south easterly, one rod and six links to a stake; thence a little more southerly one rod and four links to a stake, said stake being one rod and seventeen links from the northerly elm tree in Mrs Hovey's land ranging to the southwest corner of the School house on the opposite corner of the road; thence a little more southerly twenty three links to a stake; thence a little more southerly one rod to a stake; thence a little more southerly nineteen links to a stake, said stake being two rods and sixteen links from a large stone at the end of the wall near the School house on the opposite side of the road; thence in a straight line eleven rods and twenty two links to the line of the road at land of Aaron L. Parker; the northerly and easterly boundaries of said road to remain as at present; And we have assessed the damages of Mrs Larissa Hovey at twenty eight dollars which includes the removal of seven rods and thirteen links of Bank Wall; and we have allowed her three months from this date in which to remove the same, All of which we hereby respectfully report to the town for its acceptance

Dated at Boxford this twenty fourth day of October in the year 1873

Aneill Dorman } Selectmen
Oliver P. Killam } of
John K. Cole } Boxford

Voted To accept the doings of the Selectmen in widening the road as above recorded.

Voted To dissolve the meeting

Aneill Dorman } Town Clerk

1873 At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified as by the Constitution required to vote in Elections, holden at the Vestry in the Second Parish on Tuesday the fourth day of November in the year One thousand eight hundred and seventy three, for the purpose of giving in their votes for a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor of Accounts, and Attorney General of this Commonwealth; a Councillor for the Fifth District; a Register of Probate and Insolvency, a Senator for the Third Essex District, and a Representative to the next General Court for District No Five; Also for a County Treasurer; One County Commissioner, and a Register of Deeds for the Southern District of Essex.

The polls were open at fifteen minutes past one o'clock and at fifteen minutes past three it was Voted
That the polls be closed
The whole number of ballots given in was Seventy two
The whole number of ballots were sorted counted recorded and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directed, and were for the following persons Viz

For Governor

William B. Washburn of Greenfield Fifty one
William Gaston of Boston Twenty one

For Lieutenant Governor

Thomas ~~Charles~~ Talbot of Billerica Fifty one
William Le Smith of Springfield Twenty one

For Secretary of State

Oliver Warner of Northhampton Fifty one
Benjamin F. Mills of Williamston Twenty one

1873

For Treasurer and Receiver General.

Charles Adams Jr of North Brookfield Fifty one
Nathan Clark of Lynn Twenty one

For Auditor of Accounts.

Charles Endicott of Canton Fifty one
C. Osgood Morse of Newburyport Twenty one

For Attorney General

Charles R. Train of Boston Fifty one
Waldo Coburn of Dedham Twenty one

For Councillor Fifth District.

Daniel H. Stickney of Groveland. Fifty one
John A Glover of Ipswich Twenty one

For County Treasurer

Allen W. Dodge of Hamilton Fifty one
Daniel B. Lord of Salem Twenty one

For County Commissioner

Zachariah Graves of Lynn Forty nine
Joseph A. Howe of Methuen Twenty two

For Register of Deeds Essex South District.

Ephraim Brown of Salem Fifty one
Henry S. Putnam of Salem Twenty one

For Register of Probate and Insolvency.

Abner C. Goodale of ~~Lynn~~ Salem Fifty one (51)
Jonathan Nason of Amesbury Twenty one

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For Senator Third Essex District.
Nathan W. Harmon of Lawrence Fifty
H. C. Bacon of Lawrence Twenty one

For Representative to General Court Fifth Essex District
Joseph E. Bailey of Georgetown Forty nine
Charles W. Tenney of Georgetown Twenty two

Voted To dissolve the meeting

Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk

Choice of Representative to Gen. Court.

At a meeting of the Clerks of the towns of Georgetown, Groveland and Boxford held in the Office of the town clerk of Georgetown on Wednesday the fifth day of November A.D. 1873 for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the election of a Representative to the General Court for the Fifth Essex District, the votes returned by the officers of the said towns were as follows.

In Georgetown

Joseph E. Bailey of Georgetown had Two hundred and two
Charles W. Tenney " " " One hundred & fifty seven
George H. Carleton " " " Four
E. S. Daniels " " " Three
T. G. Elliott " " " One
John O. Davis " " " One

In Groveland

Joseph E. Bailey of Georgetown had One hundred and fourteen
J. E. Bailey " " " Twenty two
Charles W. Tenney " " " Eighty four

In Boxford

Joseph E. Bailey of Georgetown had Forty nine
Charles W. Tenney " " " Twenty two

And it was ascertained that Joseph E. Bailey of Georgetown was elected, and certificates were made out accordingly.

Attest Ancill Dorman } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said town on Monday the second day of March A.D. 1874.

Chose — Thomas P. Dorman Esq Moderator

Ancill Dorman — Town Clerk

" — Ancill Dorman, George M. Chadwick, Israel F. Stafford } Selectmen

" — Joseph H. Jones, William F. Harriman } Constables

Voted — Not to choose Tythingmen

" — To choose five Field Drivers

Chose — C. C. Stevens, Asa Kimball, William R. Kimball, Andrew Frame, John B. Lake } Field Drivers

Chose — Henry Newhall, Charles R. Anderson } Pound Keepers

Voted — To take up the fourth article of the warrant

" — Not to accept the provisions of chapter 158 laws of 1871 in regard to choosing Road Commissioners

" — To assume the second article

Chose — James P. Cleaveland, Andrew Frame, David M. Cole, Cornelius Carson, Samuel P. Peabody } Surveyors of Highways

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Chose

Ephraim F. Cole
John Hale
J. H. Nason
S. W. Howe
Samuel B. Carleton
Charles Perley
John K. Cole
G. W. Twitchell
Joseph H. Janes
Wm R. Kimball
Israel Herrick
Augustus M. Perley
J. M. Pearl
Samuel Sias

} Surveyors of Highways

Voted Chose

To choose three Fence Viewers

John K. Cole
Ephraim F. Cole
Daniel Gould

} Fence Viewers

Voted Chose

To choose ten measurers of Wood and Bark

James Stevens
Samuel Bixby
John Parkhurst
Solomon W. Howe
Daniel F. Harriman
John Pearl

} Measurers of Wood and Bark

Samuel B. Carleton
Ephraim F. Cole
William J. Badger
Israel Herrick

Voted Chose

To choose twelve Surveyors of Lumber

Daniel F. Harriman
Jonathan J. Porter
John Pearl
John Day
John Parkhurst

} Surveyors of Lumber

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Chose — Solomon W. Howe, Andrew Frame, Noah Herrick, Stephen A. Bixby, William Sawyer, James Carleton, William E. Perley } Surveyors of Lumber (see previous page)

Voted — To choose two Auditors

Chose — William E. Killam, William H. Wood } Auditors

Chose — William E. Killam — Treasurer

Voted — To refer the choice of Collector for the present

Chose — Rev. S. D. Gammell, School Committee for three years

Voted — To adopt the vote of last year in regard to repairs and amendments of Highways which was as follows "That the Selectmen on or before the fifteenth day of April next, apportion to each Surveyor such part of the amount voted for repairs of Highways as they may think best, having regard as far as may be, to the condition of the roads in each Highway District and it shall be the duty of each Surveyor faithfully and economically to expend the sum thus committed to him in making the necessary repairs of Highways within his District."

Voted — That Surveyors of Highways and those under their employ be allowed as follows.

For a man twenty cents per hour — For a yoke of oxen twenty cents per hour — for a Horse and Horse cart twenty cents per hour — For two Horses and a cart twenty five cents per hour — for an Ox shovel and Plough each fifteen cents per hour and for an Ox cart five cents per hour while employed on the Highways,

Voted That one half of the money appropriated for Highways be expended before the first day of June – three fourths before the first day of July, and the remainder before the first day of September.

Voted To accept the report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Posts and Boards.

Voted That a new board be put on the Post near J. H. Nasons or the old one repainted as may be thought best.

Voted To accept the Report of the Committee on School Funds (Recorded)

Voted To accept the Report of the Auditors (Printed)

Voted To accept the following list of Jurors

Horace Berry	George B. Austin
Daniel Bixby	James H. Nason
Richard F. Gurley	Isaac C. Day
Solomon W. Howe	Nathan K. Fowler
Peter Hirout	Charles A. Spofford
Leverett S. Howe	John T. Wood
John L. Killam	Alonzo J. Henley

Voted To sell the Town Pound in the First Parish to Capt Henry Moulton for Fifty Dollars, the said Moulton to furnish a convenient site on his land for a new Pound, and give up to the town the Gate and Posts of the old Pound.

Voted That the Selectmen be a Committee to build a new Pound in the First Parish.

Aneill Dorman declined serving on said Committee and John K. Cole was chosen in his stead.

Voted That Captain Moulton be added to this Committee

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Aneill Dorman for his services as Chairman of the Selectmen-Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year 82.57

To cash paid for sundry purposes 19.44

$ 102.01

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Oliver F. Killian for his services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year $39.00

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by John K. Cole for his services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year $28.50
Also To services as one of the Committee on letting out the new Road in West Boxford $5.00

Voted To allow a bill presented by Ancill Dorman for services as Town Clerk the past year 10.00
To cash paid for sundry purposes 3.62
To recording Births Marriages and Deaths 13.50
$27.12

Voted To allow a bill presented by Ancill Dorman for services as one of the Committee to let out and see to the working of the newly located Highway in the West Parish 6.50
To cash paid for Horse and Wagon .90
$7.40

Voted To allow a bill presented by John Pearl for grading Road $39.35

Voted To allow a bill presented from A Griffin & Groveland for supplies furnished Chandler B Hardy in 1872. $6.50

Voted That the Treasurer and Collector, and all others having bills against the town, present the same to the Selectmen for allowance on or before the eighteenth day of February 1875 and that the Selectmen present their bills to the town for allowance

Voted To raise Twelve Hundred Dollars $1200, for the support of Schools, and that it be divided equally among the several Schools

Voted To raise Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars $3500, to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the town

Voted To raise Twelve Hundred Dollars ($1200,) for repairs and amendments of Highways.

Voted That the taxes be committed to the Collector within three days of the first of September, and that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes voluntarily paid to the collector before the first day of October and two per cent on all paid before the first day of November and that all taxes be collected before the first day of December 1873.

Voted That when the roads are encumbered with snow the surveyors be instructed to break them out eight feet wide, and that they allow a man twenty cents per hour, a yoke of Oxen twenty cents per hour and for a horse fifteen cents per hour while engaged in such service

Chose John K. Cole to serve as one of the Committee on School Funds in place of Samuel Perley resigned,

Voted That the thanks of the town be given to Major Samuel Perley for the care and fidelity with which he has discharged the duties of said office for over forty years

Chose Oliver P. Killam to serve as one of the Committee on School Funds in place of Moses Kimball resigned,

Voted That the thanks of the town be given to Moses Kimball for the fidelity with which he has discharged the duties of said office for 28 years,

Voted To refer the matter of erecting a Wood house for the use of the School near the Second Parish Meeting-house to the School Committee, with instructions to build forthwith

Voted To pass over the twentieth article of the Warrant

Voted To abate the Poll taxes set to George Bruce in Wm E. Killam's lists of 1872 and 1873. Also a Poll tax set to Jeremiah Grant in 1872.

Voted To take up the second article of the warrant.

Chose William E. Killam Collector

Voted That this meeting be dissolved

Attest, Lucius Dorman, Town Clerk

1874. At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified as by the Constitution required to vote in elections holden in the Vestry in the First Parish on Tuesday the third day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy four, for the purpose of giving in their votes for a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor of accounts, and Attorney General of this Commonwealth. a Counsellor for the Fifth Mass. District a Senator for the Third Essex District and a Representative to the next General Court for District No Five. Also a Representative in Congress for District No 6. Also for a District Attorney a Sheriff, Three Commissioners of insolvency, One County Commissioner and Two Special Commissioners

All on one ballot

The polls were open at fifteen minutes past past twelve Oclock and by Vote of the town were closed at fifteen minutes before ~~before~~ three oclock PM.

The whole number of ballots given in was ninety two

The whole number of ballots were sorted counted recorded and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directed and were for the following persons Viz

For Governor

Thomas Talbot of Billerica	Sixty
William Gaston of Boston	Twenty nine

For Lieutenant Governor

Horatio G. Knight of Easthampton	Sixty two
William L. Smith of Spingfield	Thirty

For Secretary of State

Oliver Warner of Northhampton	Sixty two
Benjamin F. Mills of Williamstown	Thirty

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For Treasurer and Receiver General

Charles Adams Jr of North Brookfield	Sixty two
Nathan Clark of Lynn	Thirty

For Auditor

Charles Endicott of Canton	Sixty two
C Osgood Morse of Newburyport	Thirty

For Attorney General

Charles R. Train of Boston	Sixty two
Waldo Colburn of Dedham	Thirty

For Representative to Congress

Benjamin F. Butler of Gloucester	Forty five
Charles P. Thompson of Gloucester	Thirty two

For Councillor

Robert Couch of Newburyport	Sixty two
John S Glover of Ipswich	Thirty ~~two~~

For County Commissioner

Joseph O. Procter of Gloucester	Fifty eight
Joseph S. Howe of Methuen	Thirty one

For Special Commissioners

Aaron Sawyer of Amesbury	Fifty eight
Daniel W Bartlett of Essex	Fifty eight
Nathaniel Greely of Newburyport	Thirty
R. W. Burnham of Essex	Thirty

For Sheriff

Horatio G. Herrick of Lawrence	Sixty two
Jonathan Nason of Amesbury	Thirty

For District Attorney

C. J. Sherman of Lawrence	Sixty two
Jeremiah P. Jones of Georgetown	Thirty

For Commissioners of Insolvency

William L. Thompson of Lawrence — Sixty two
Dean Peabody of Lynn — Sixty two
Nathaniel J. Holden of Salem — Sixty two

For Senator District No Three

George L. Davis of North Andover — Sixty two
Horace C. Bacon of Lawrence — Twenty eight

For Representative to General Court 5th Essex District

Daniel P. Hopkinson of Groveland — Sixty one
Norman Nichols of Groveland — Twenty seven

Meeting Dissolved

Ancill Dorman? Town Clerk

Choice of Representative to Gen. Court

At a meeting of the Clerks of the towns of Georgetown, Groveland and Boxford held in the Office of the Town Clerk of Georgetown on Wednesday the fourth day of November 1874. for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the election of a Representative to the General Court for the Fifth Essex District. the votes returned by the Officers of the said towns were as follows.

In Georgetown

Daniel P. Hopkinson of Groveland - One hundred and eighty one
Norman Nichols of Groveland - One hundred and sixty one

In Groveland

Daniel P. Hopkinson of Groveland - One hundred and fifty
Norman Nichols of Groveland - One hundred and fifty nine

In Boxford

Daniel P. Hopkinson of Groveland - Sixty one
Norman Nichols of Groveland — Twenty seven

And it was ascertained that Daniel P. Hopkinson of Groveland was elected, and certificates were made out accordingly

Attest, Ancill Dorman Town Clerk

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At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said town on Monday the first day of March A. D. 1875

Chose William R. Kimball Esq Moderator

" Ancill Dorman Town Clerk (sworn by J. S. Sayward Esq)

" George W. Chadwick, Ancill Dorman, John K. Cole } Selectmen

" Joseph H. James, William R. Kimball } Constables

Voted Not to choose Tythingmen

" To choose five Field Drivers

Chose C. C. Stevens, Valorus V. Moulton, William R. Kimball, Andrew Frame, William Sawyer } Field Drivers

" Henry Moulton, William R. Kimball } Pound Keepers

Voted To take up the 4th Article of the warrant

Voted Not to choose Road Commissioners

" To resume the 2nd Article

Chose Isaac Hale, Thomas Sawyer, Elbridge Peabody } Surveyors of Highways

Henry A. Towne, Samuel P. Peabody, Ephraim F. Cole, Benjamin F. Barnes

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Jonathan J. Porter
Solomon W. Howe
Samuel B. Carleton
George W. Chadwick
John K. Cole
George W. Twitchell
Caleb M. Cole
Augustus M. Perley
John Pearl
Reginold D. Foster
Israel Herrick
Joseph H. James

} Continuation of Surveyors of Highways

Voted Chose To choose three Fence Viewers

John K. Cole
Amell Dorman
George B. Austin

} Fence Viewers

Voted Chose To choose ten Measurers of Wood and Bark

James H. Mason
Amos Stevens
Samuel Bixby
Solomon W Howe
Israel Herrick
John Parkhurst
Frank E. Mason
William J. Badger
William B. Howe
David M Cole

} Measurers of Wood & Bark

Voted Chose To choose twelve surveyors of Lumber

Israel Herrick
Solomon W. Howe
John Parkhurst
William Sawyer
Stephen A. Bixby
Andrew Frame
J. J. Porter

} Surveyors of Lumber

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Daniel Andrews
John Pearl
John Day
James Carlet
Paul C. Davis
} Continuation of Surveyors of Lumber

Chose John P. Sayward Esq } Auditor

Chose William E. Killam } Treasurer

Voted To take up the third article

Chose William E. Killam } School Committee for 3 years,

Voted To accept the Report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Boards

Chose William E. Killam a member of the Committee on School Funds in place of Samuel Andrews resigned,

Voted The thanks of the town to Samuel Andrews for his long and faithful service as a member of the Committee on School Funds

Voted To accept the Report of the Auditors (Printed)

Voted To accept the following list of Jurors presented by the Selectmen.

Horace Berry	George B. Austin
Benjamin F. Barnes	John H. Nason
Richard F. Gurley	Paul C. Davis
Solomon W. Howe	Nathan K. Fowler
Peter Strout	Samuel Sias
Edward Howe	John T. Wood
John L. Killam	Alonzo J. Henley

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Ancil Damon for his services as Chairman of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for the year ending March 1. 1875 $87.00

To cash paid for stationery Express Notices fees Postage & Travel 16.24

$103.24

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Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Geo. W. Chadwick for services as Selectman Assessor & Overseer of the Poor the past year $43.00

" cash paid for Travel Postage & Painting Safe 4.00

$47.00

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by J. F. Stafford for services as Selectman Assessor & Overseer of the Poor the past year. including cash paid for Guide Boards $20.00

Voted To allow a bill presented by S. M. Greenwood for damage to Sleigh. Harness &c occasioned by a defect in the Highway Feb 28. 1874. $25.00

Voted That the Treasurer and Collector and all others having bills against the town present the same to the Selectmen for allowance on or before the eighteenth day of February 1876. and that the Selectmen present their bills to the town for allowance.

Voted To raise One Thousand Dollars $1000., for the support of Schools.

Voted To raise Three Thousand Dollars $3000., to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the Town.

Voted To raise One Thousand Dollars $1000. for repairs and amendments of Highways –

Voted That the Selectmen on or before the Eleventh day of April next, apportion to each Surveyor of Highways such part of the amount voted for repairs of Highways as they may think best, having regard as far as may be to the condition of the roads in each Highway District. And it shall be the duty of each surveyor faithfully and impartially to expend the sum thus committed to him in making the necessary repairs of Highways within his District –

Voted That Surveyors of Highways and those under their employ be allowed as follows

For a man twenty cents per hour – for a Yoke of Oxen twenty cents per hour – for a Horse & Horse Cart twenty cents per hour – for two horses and a cart twenty five

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cents per hour for an Ox Shovel and Plough each fifteen cents per hour - and for an Oxcart five cents per hour while employed on the Highways.

Voted That one half of the money appropriated for Highways be expended before the first day of June - three fourths before the first day of July - and the remainder before the first day of September next.

Voted That the taxes be committed to the Collector within four days of the first of September, and that a discount of four per cent be paid on all taxes voluntarily paid to the Collector before the first day of October - and two per cent on all paid before the first day of November and all taxes are to be collected before the first day of December 1875.

Voted That when the roads are encumbered with Snow the Surveyors be instructed to break them out eight feet wide - And that they allow for a man and for a yoke of Oxen each, twenty cents per hour, and for a Horse fifteen cents per hour while employed under their direction in said service

Voted To discontinue the town way leading from Southwesterly of the house of Woody Perley to the junction near the residence of G. W. Twitchell. (formerly Moses Gould place) (Established 1785)

Voted To pass over the remainder of the 18th article relating to the discontinuance of the Chapman & Dresser roads

Voted To refer the matter of putting in a Bridge near the house of James Carleton to the Selectmen with Authority to do as they think best.

Voted To pass over the 20th article relative to taking a Valuation of Estates.

Voted To abate the Poll tax set to R. B. Anderson in list of 1873.

Voted To take up the 6th article

" To accept the Report of the Committee on School Funds

Voted To take up the 2nd article

Chose William E. Killam Collector of taxes

Voted to dissolve the Meeting

attest Aniell Dorman Town Clerk

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At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified to vote in town affairs held in the Vestry in the second Parish on Monday the fourth day of October 1875:

William R. Kimball was chosen Moderator.

Voted That the Selectmen be empowered to put in one or two bridges and to round up and gravel the road from near the Soldiers' Monument to Porter's Brook, so called,

Voted That the aforesaid repairs be made on or before the first day of November next

Chose Benjamin S. Barnes } Auditors.
William R. Kimball } in place of J. S. Sayward, deceased.

Voted To accept and allow the widening of a road as reported by the Selectmen in words following.

We the Selectmen of the town of Boxford at the request of S. W. Howe and others, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of the land on which we were petitioned to widen a town way, have widened the same as follows: 1st Beginning at the corner westerly of the house of Daniel S. Gilles at a stake by the wall one rod south of the Guide Post; thence south 1° east ten rods and six links to a stake. thence south 13° west five rods and nineteen links to a stake, which stake is five rods from the wall on the easterly side of the road; thence south 15° west seven rods ~~and~~ to a stake by the wall where said course forms a junction with the westerly line of the present road: the easterly line of the road to remain as before.

The whole of this widening being on land of Mrs Melissa P. Batchelder.

2nd Beginning at a stake on the northerly side of Fish Brook six links easterly of the stone work of the bridge which crosses said Brook below Howe's Mills: thence north 11° east five rods and eight links to a stake; thence north 47° east fourteen rods

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and fifteen links to a stake by the wall on the easterly side of the present road; the westerly line of the road to remain as before: The whole of this widening being on land of Mrs Hannah Perley.

And we have assessed and awarded damages to the owners of the land thus taken as follows

To Mrs Melissa P. Batchelder Thirty Five Dollars.
" Mrs Hannah Perley Twelve Dollars.

And we hereby allow the said owners seven months in which to remove the fence and trees from the land thus taken, and we hereby respectfully report our action in this case to the town for its acceptance.

Dated at Boxford this twenty third day of September in the year 1875.

Geo W. Chadwick } Selectmen
Ancill Dorman } of
John R. Cole } Boxford

Voted To accept the proposition of James Carleton for the removal of the Pound in the second Parish which was as follows. If the town will relinquish the present Pound site and materials, to the said Carleton he agrees to give a satisfactory new site and build a new Pound as good as the front of the present one was when built, provided the town will furnish the posts. (The foregoing proposition was verbally reported to the town from Mr Carleton, by E. R. Anderson and Wm R. Kimball)

Voted That the Selectmen be a Committee to see to carrying out the provisions of the foregoing vote.

Voted To Dissolve the Meeting

Attest
Ancill Dorman
Town Clerk

1875 At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified as by the Constitution required to vote in elections, holden in the Vestry in the Second Parish on Tuesday the second day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy five, for the purpose of giving in their votes for a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary Treasurer, Auditor of Accounts and Attorney General of this Commonwealth - a Councillor for the Fifth Mass. District - a Senator for the Third Essex District and a Representative to the next General Court for District No Five also for one County Commissioner. All on one ballot

The polls were open at fifteen minutes past ten o'clock and closed at twenty minutes past twelve by vote of the town
The whole number of ballots given in was one hundred and seven
The whole number of ballots were sorted, counted, recorded and declaration thereof made as by the Constitution directed and were for the following persons viz:

For Governor

Alexander H. Rice of Boston	Seventy five
William Gaston of Boston	Thirty
John T. Baker of Beverly	Two

For Lieutenant Governor

Horatio G. Knight of Easthampton	Seventy seven
John Quincy Adams of Quincy	Thirty

For Secretary of State

Henry B. Peirce of Abington	Seventy seven
George H. Munroe of Boston	Thirty

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For Treasurer and Receiver General
Charles Endicott of Canton Seventy seven
Weston Howland of Fairhaven Thirty

For Auditor
Julius L. Clarke of Newton Seventy seven
John E. Fitzgerald of Boston Twenty nine

For Attorney General
Charles R. Train of Boston Seventy seven
George F Verry of Worcester Thirty

For Councillor District No 5.
Robert Couch of Newburyport Seventy seven
J. Sidney Howe of Methuen Thirty

For County Commissioner
James Kimball of Salem Seventy seven
Jonathan Nayson of Amesbury Thirty

For Senator District No 3.
George L. Davis of North Andover Seventy nine
James H Carleton of Haverhill Twenty eight

Representative to General Court District No 5.
Sherman Nelson of Georgetown Seventy three
Charles W Tenney " " Thirty four

Meeting dissolved
Attest Ancill Dorman
Town Clerk

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Representative to General Court

At a meeting of the Clerks of the towns of Georgetown Groveland and Boxford held in the office of the Town Clerk of Georgetown on Wednesday the third day of November A.D. 1875 for the purpose of ascertaining the result of an election of a Representative to the next General Court for the Fifth Essex District; the result in each town as returned by the officers thereof was as follows;

In Georgetown

Sherman Nelson of Georgetown had Two hundred and nine votes
Charles W. Tenney of Georgetown had - Two hundred and twenty "
John Preston of Georgetown had One "
T. G. Elliott of Georgetown had One

In Groveland

Sherman Nelson of Georgetown had One hundred and thirty one votes
Charles W. Tenney of Georgetown " One hundred and forty four. "

In Boxford

Sherman Nelson of Georgetown had Seventy three votes
Charles W. Tenney of Georgetown had Thirty four "

And it was ascertained that Sherman Nelson of Georgetown was elected Representative for said District and Certificates were made out accordingly.

Attest

Ancill Dorman
Town Clerk

1876

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said town on Monday the sixth day of March A.D. 1876.

John K. Cole was chosen Moderator

Ancill Dorman was chosen Clerk. Sworn by B. S. Barnes Esq. Certificate filed

Chose Ancill Dorman, George W. Chadwick, Isaac W. Andrew — Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

Chose Henry Newhall, William R. Kimball — Constables

Chose F. A. Howe, J. F. Dorman, W. W. Howe, J. W. Andrew, Franklin Jaques — Tythingmen

Chose Andrew Frame, Daniel Bixby, Elbridge Perley, Israel F. Spofford, William E. Perley — Field Drivers

Chose Henry Moulton, William R. Kimball — Pound Keepers

Voted To take up the 4th article of the warrant, which relates to the choosing of Road Commissioners,

Voted To pass over the 4th article

Voted To resume the 2nd article of the warrant

Chose James P. Cleaveland, George B. Killam, Valorus V. Moulton, Samuel Swisden — Surveyors of Highways

Continuation of

Surveyors of Highways

Horace Berry
Samuel Howe
B. F. Barnes
Charles A. Andrews
Declined James H. Nason chosen in his stead
Solomon W. Howe
Charles H. Thwing
Charles Jersey
John K. Cole
George W. Whitehall
Edwin S. Adams
[illegible]
Joseph S. Cole
Reynold E. Foster
Israel Herrick
Joseph E. Jones

Those

Fence Viewers

John K. Cole
Charles H. Thwing
Ephraim F. Cole

Those

Measurers of Wood and Bark

James E. Nason
[illegible] Stevens
[illegible] Bixby
Solomon W. Howe
Israel Herrick
John Parkhurst
Frank E. Nason
William J. Badger
William B. Howe
David M. Cole
John Dear
Daniel F. Harriman

Those

Surveyors of Lumber

Israel Herrick
Solomon W. Howe
John Parkhurst

Searcher

B. F. Barnes
Reynold E. Foster

Chose — Andrew Frame, Jonathan F. Porter, John Pearl, Daniel Andrew — Continuation of Surveyors of

John Day, Daniel F. Harriman, Paul C. Davis — Lumber

Chose — B. S. Barnes, Wm R. Kimball — Auditors

Chose — William E. Killam — Treasurer

Voted — To suspend action on the 2nd article of the warrant and take up the 3rd article

Chose — Asa Kimball School Committee for three years

Voted — To accept the Report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Posts and Boards.

Voted — To accept the Report of the Committee on School Funds.

Voted — To accept the Report of the Auditor (Printed)

Voted — To accept the list of names presented by the Selectmen as qualified to serve as jurors (For this list see last page of next leaf)

Voted — To allow a bill of charge presented by George W. Chadwick for services as Chairman of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year $75.00
Cash paid for Stationery postage tax bills justice's fees &c 3.20
$78 20

Voted — To allow a bill of charge presented by Ancill Dorman for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year 63.00
Cash paid for travel Postage Stationery justice's fees &c 12.39
$75.39

Voted — To allow a bill of charge presented by John K. Cole for his services as one of the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year 29.00
To perambulating town lines 8.50
$37.50

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Daniel L. [illegible] for care of Stephen G. Holt through his last sickness at his house in November last as follows

Time and trouble	$12.00
Use of bed clothes	8.00
cleaning room	5.00
	$25.00

Voted That all persons having bills against the town present the same to the Selectmen for allowance on or before the 17th day of February 1877 and that the Selectmen present their bills for services, to the town for allowance.

Voted $1000 in Schools To raise One Thousand Dollars for the support of Schools and that the School money be divided equally among the several schools.

Voted $3000 Town charges To raise Three Thousand Dollars to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the town

Voted $1000 Highways To raise One Thousand Dollars for repairs and amendments of Highways.

Voted That the Selectmen on or before the fifteenth day of April next apportion to each Surveyor of Highways such part of the amount voted for repairs of Highways as they may think best having regard as far as may be, to the condition of the roads in each Highway District; And it shall be the duty of each surveyor faithfully and impartially to expend the sum thus committed to him in making the necessary repairs of Highways within his District.

Voted That surveyors of Highways and those under their employ be allowed as follows Viz For a man fifteen cents per hour. For a Yoke of Oxen fifteen cents per hour. for a Horse and Cart fifteen cents per hour. for ~~two Horses~~ and a Cart twenty cents per hour. and for a plough. Ox shovel and Ox Cart each five cents per hour while used on the Highways.

Voted That the taxes be committed to the Collector within four days of the first day of September next. and that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes Voluntarily paid

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to the Collector before the first day of October, and two per cent on all paid before the first day of November next, and all taxes are to be collected before the first day of December next.

Voted To take up the 2nd article of the warrant

Chose James H. Nason Surveyor of Highways in place of C. A. Andrew, who declined to serve.

Chose William E. Killam Collector of Taxes

Voted That when the roads are encumbered with snow the surveyors be instructed to break them out eight feet wide, and that they allow for a man and for a yoke of oxen each fifteen cents per hour and for a horse [illegible] cents per hour while employed under their direction in said service.

Voted To pass over the 17th article of the warrant relative to taking a valuation of estates.

Voted That the Schools be furnished with wood from the Town Farm, to be cut and housed,

Voted To pass over the 19th article relative to abating the taxes set to Heirs of Samuel Morse in 1872 & 1875

Voted To fill up the valley on the common in front of the house of Elvin French.

Voted To choose a Committee of three to ~~see~~ oversee the filling up of said valley, it being understood that the labor shall be furnished free of cost to the town,

Chose Wm H. Kimball
Henry Newhall
Henry Moulton

Voted To pass over the 21st article relative to taking fish from any of the Ponds in town

Voted To Dissolve the Meeting

Attest
Ansell Dorman
Town Clerk

List of Jurors

Nathan K. Fowler	Rufus W. Emerson
George B. Austin	Edward Howe
Saml C. Davis	James S. Cleaveland
William R. Kimball	Charles C. Stevens
Valorus V. Moulton	Daniel S. Gillis
Joseph P. Cole	Cornelius Pearsons
Alonzo J. Henley	George W. Twitchell

The foregoing is the list of jurors presented by the Selectmen and accepted by the town at the annual meeting held March 6th 1876 (accidentally omitted in its proper place in the record)

Attest

Sneill Lorman Town Clerk

At a meeting of the legal voters of the town of Boxford held in the Vestry in the First Parish on Monday the 24th day of April A.D. 1876

George W. Chadwick was chosen Moderator

Voted To instruct the committee chosen at the last annual meeting to proceed and finish filling the Valley in front of the house of E. French at the expense of the town

Voted That all labor already done, and to be done in filling said Valley, so far as people see fit to charge for the same, be paid at the same rate as allowed the present year for labor on highways.

Voted To leave the matter of the proposed route of the Boston, Lawrence and Haverhill Railroad to the Selectmen to act as they think best

Voted To dissolve the Meeting

Attest

Sneill Lorman Town Clerk

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At a legal meeting of the qualified voters of the town of Boxford held in the Vestry in the First Parish on Tuesday the seventh day of November A. D. 1876.

Thomas P. Dorman was chosen Moderator

Voted That the Overseers of the Poor be directed to collect the bill due from the town of Topsfield for supplies furnished the wife of Joseph E. Peabody

Voted That the Overseers be authorized to commence and carry on a suit for the collection of the aforesaid bill if they think it necessary.

Voted To dissolve the Meeting

Attest

Amell Dorman

Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Bar pard qualified as by the Constitution required to vote in elections holden in the Vestry in the First Parish on Tuesday the seventh day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy six for the purpose of giving in their votes for the number of Electors of President and Vice President of the United States to which this Commonwealth is entitled. Also for a Representative in Congress for the Sixth Mass. District. Also for a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor and Attorney General of the Commonwealth - for a Councillor for the Fifth District - for a Senator for the Fifth Essex District, a Representative to General Court for the Fifteenth Essex District - a Clerk of the Courts for the County of Essex, a County Treasurer, a County Commissioner, and a Register of Deeds for the southern District in said County. All on one ballot,

The polls were opened at fifteen minutes past ten oclock and closed agreably to vote of town at eleven minutes before one.

The whole number of ballots given in was One hundred and Sixty three

The ballots were all sorted, counted, recorded and public declaration made thereof in open meeting as the law directs, and were for the following persons

Viz:

For Electors of President and Vice President
At Large

Thomas Talbot of Billerica had one hundred and nineteen
Stephen Salisbury of Worcester " one hundred and nineteen
William Gaston of Boston " Forty two
Edward Avery of Braintree " Forty two

Elector for District No 1	Warren Leadd of New Bedford	One hundred and nineteen
	James D Thompson of New Bedford	Forty two
" No 2	Theodore Dean of Taunton	One hundred and nineteen
	Samuel N. Dyer jr of South Abington	Forty two
" No 3	J. Felt Osgood of Boston	One hundred and nineteen
	George P. Baldwin of Boston	Forty two
" No 4	Martin Brimmer of Boston	One hundred and nineteen
	Charles Levi Woodbury of Boston	Forty two
" No. 5	S C. Lawrence of Medford	One hundred and nineteen
	Alpha E. Thompson of Woburn	Forty two
" No 6	George W Morrill of Amesbury	One hundred and nineteen
	James V. Smiley of Haverhill	Forty two
" No 7	Carroll D Wright of Reading	One hundred and nineteen
	James C. Abbott of Lowell	Forty two
" No 8	James Russell Lowell of Cambridge	One hundred and nineteen
	Edwin A. Alger of Cambridge	Forty two
" No 9	John C. Whitin of Northbridge	One hundred and nineteen
	Eli Thayer of Worcester	Forty two
" No. 10	W. B. C. Pearsons of Holyoke	One hundred and nineteen
	Timothy S Wilson of Fitchburg	Forty two
" No 11	Richard Goodman of Lenox	One hundred and nineteen
	Cebra Quackenbush of Pittsfield	Forty two

For Governor of the Commonwealth

Alexander H. Rice of Boston	One hundred and thirteen
Charles Francis Adams of Quincy	Forty four
John T. Baker of Beverly	Four

For Lieutenant Governor
Horatio G Knight of Easthampton One hundred and nineteen
William R Plunkett of Pittsfield Forty four

For Secretary of State
Henry B Pierce of Abington One hundred and nineteen
Weston Howland of Fairhaven Forty four

For Treasurer & Receiver General
Charles Endicott of Canton One hundred and nineteen
David N Skillings of Winchester Forty four

For Auditor
Julius L Clarke of Newton One hundred and nineteen
John E. Fitzgerald of Boston Forty four

For Attorney General
Charles R. Train of Boston One hundred and nineteen
Richard Olney of Boston Forty four

For Representative in Congress 6th District
George B Loring of Salem One hundred and one
Charles S. Thompson of Gloucester Fifty seven

For Councillor 5th District
William Coggswell of Bradford One hundred and nineteen
Benjamin F Peach of Lynn Forty four

For Senator 5th Essex District
Jackson B. Sewell of Haverhill One hundred and nineteen
Preston M. Chase of Danvers Forty four

For Representative to General Court. 15th Essex District
Aaron Coggswell of Ipswich One hundred and fifteen
George A Lord of Ipswich Forty four

For Clerk of Courts
Alfred A Abbott of Peabody One hundred and sixty three

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For Register of Deeds
Ephraim Brown of Salem One hundred and fifty eight

For County Treasurer
Allen W. Dodge of Hamilton one hundred and nineteen
Thomas Ingalls of Marblehead Forty four

For County Commissioner
Zachariah Graves of Lynn One hundred and nineteen
J. S. Howe of Methuen Forty four

Meeting dissolved
attest
Ancill Dorman
Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Clerks of the towns of Ipswich Rowley and Boxford held in the office of the Town Clerk of Ipswich on Wednesday the eighth day of November 1876. for the purpose of ascertaining the result of an election of a Representative to the next General Court for the Fifteenth Essex District, the result in each town as returned by the officers thereof was as follows

In Ipswich
Aaron Cogswell of Ipswich had Three hundred and seventy seven
George A Lord of Ipswich " Two hundred and thirty seven

In Rowley
Aaron Cogswell of Ipswich had One hundred and fifty five
George A. Lord " " " One hundred and twenty two

In Boxford
Aaron Cogswell of Ipswich had One hundred and fifteen
George A Lord " " " Forty four.

And it was ascertained that Aaron Cogswell of Ipswich was elected Representative for said District, and certificates were made out accordingly.

Attest
Ancill Dorman
Town Clerk

(Town Clerk of Ipswich, Wesley K. Bell
" " " Rowley, John G. Prime)

Dec 8. 1876. I hereby certify that I have this day destroyed the ballots cast in Boxford at the November election Ancill Dorman town clerk

1877

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said town on Monday the fifth day of March A.D. 1877

Thomas P. Dorman Esq was chosen Moderator.

Ancill Dorman was chosen Clerk — The clerk was sworn in open meeting by T. P. Dorman Esq.

Chose George W. Chadwick, John K. Cole, Ancill Dorman — Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

Chose D. S. Gillis, William R. Kimball — Constables

Chose Daniel Bixby, Andrew Frame, William A Howe — Field Drivers

~~James P. Cleveland~~, James W. Chadwick, J. J. Porter, David M. Cole — Drivers

Chose Henry Moulton, Wm R. Kimball — Pound Keepers

Voted To take up the 4th article relative to choosing Road Commissioners.

Voted To pass over the 4th article

2nd article resumed

Chose James P. Cleveland, Samuel Killam, David M. Cole — Surveyors of Highways

Samuel Twisden, Wm W. Dresser, John T. Wood, B. F. Barnes — Surveyors of Highways

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Chose

William E. Perley
Solomon W. Howe
Samuel B. Carleton
Charles Perley
John K. Cole
George W. Twitchell
Frank E. Nason
Henry Perley
Nathan K. Fowler
Reginold D. Foster
Israel Herrick
Joseph H. James

(Continuation of Surveyors of Highways

Chose

John K. Cole
Ansell Dorman
George W. Chadwick

Fence Viewers

Chose

Samuel Bixby
John Parkhurst
Samuel P. Peabody
William B. Howe
Israel Herrick
B. F. Barnes
D. M. Cole
F. E. Nason
James H. Nason
Daniel F. Harriman
Ephraim F. Cole
Samuel B. Carleton

Measurers of Wood and Bark.

Chose

John Parkhurst
Israel Herrick
Solomon W. Howe
Stephen A. Bixby
Andrew Frame
Daniel Andrews
Samuel Bixby

Surveyors of Lumber

(over)

John Pearl
J. J. Porter
John Day
Daniel F. Harriman
Israel F. Spofford
} Continuation of Surveyors of Lumber

Chose Samuel P. Peabody
William R. Kimball } Auditors

Voted To pass over the second article for the present

Chose Rev. S. D. Gammell) School Committee for 3 years

Voted To accept the report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Posts and Boards.

Voted To accept the report of the Committee on School Funds

Voted To accept the report of the Auditors (printed)

Voted To accept the following list of Jurors presented by the Selectmen Viz;

John M. Pearl	John H. Cole
George B. Austin	William W. Howe
Paul C. Davis	Henry Moulton
Wm R. Kimball.	George B. Killam
Charles A. Andrew	Rufus W. Emerson
Charles R. Anderson	Thomas P. Dorman
Alonzo J. Henley	George W. Whitehell

Voted To allow a bill presented by Ancil Dorman for services as Chairman of the Selectmen. Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year $70.00

To cash paid for Travel Stationery Postage Justices fees &c 23.64

$93.64

Voted To allow a bill presented by Geo W. Chadwick for services as Selectman. Assessor. and Overseer of the Poor the past year $40.00

Voted To allow a bill presented by I. W. Andrew for services as one of the Assessors. Overseers & Selectmen during the past year including expenses $55.65

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Voted That all persons having bills against the town present the same to the Selectmen for allowance on or before the 17th day of February 1878- and that the Selectmen present their bills for services, to the town for allowance.

Voted To raise One thousand dollars $1000.00, for the support of Schools, and that it be divided equally among the several schools-

Voted To raise two thousand dollars $2000.00, to defray town charges the current year-

Voted To raise One thousand dollars $1000.00, for repairs and amendments of Highways and Bridges

Voted That the Selectmen on or before the fifteenth day of April next apportion to each Surveyor of Highways such part of the amount voted for repairs of Highways as they may think best; having regard as far as may be to the condition of the roads in each Highway District- and it shall be the duty of each Surveyor faithfully and impartially to expend the sum thus assigned to him in making the necessary repairs of Highways within his District,

Voted That Surveyors of Highways and those under their employ be allowed as follows;
For a man ~~fifteen~~ cents per hour- for a Yoke of Oxen fifteen cents per hour- for a Horse and Cart fifteen cents per hour- for two Horses and a Cart twenty cents per hour- and for a Plough. Ox shovel and Ox cart each five cents per hour while used on the Highways.

Voted That the taxes be committed to the Collector within four days of the first day of ~~September~~ next, and that discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes voluntarily paid to the Collector before the first day of October, and two per cent on all paid before the first day of November, and all taxes are to be collected before the first day of December 1877.

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Voted To resume the 2nd article

Chose William E. Killam Collector of taxes

Chose William E. Killam Treasurer

Chose James P. Cleaveland, William B. Howe, Franklin Jaques, Nathan K. Fowler } Scythingmen

Voted That the breaking out of the roads when encumbered with snow, be left to the discretion of the Surveyors, and that the compensation for such service be left to the discretion of the Selectmen.

Voted To pass over the 17th article relative to taking a valuation of estates.

Voted That the Schools be supplied with wood from the Town Farm - to be cut and housed,

Voted That the wood be paid for from the School money to the Master of ~~the Master of~~ the Alms-house. $7.00 per cord for hard wood. $5.00 per cord for pine.

Voted To abate the following taxes Viz:
Edmund Kellahar Poll tax in 1873. - Frederic H Fowler Wm A. Gurley - Samuel D. Matthews William Merrill & Stephen P. Perley Polls in list of 1874. Also William P. Emery. Ira Goodwin - Daniel Lear - Lewis Maynard Polls, and a tax of $3.20 set to Joseph K Farley in list of 1875.

Voted To pass over the 20th article relative to building a new School house for School No 2.

Voted To pass over the 21st article relative to Tramps &c,

Voted To pass over the 22nd article relative to taking fish from Ponds.

Voted To dissolve the meeting

Attest

Ancill Doman

Town Clerk

1877

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified to vote in town affairs, held in the Vestry in the second Parish on Monday the thirteenth day of August A.D. 1877.

John K. Cole was chosen moderator

Voted under the second article in regard to the suit of Anna M. Searles against the inhabitants of Boxford, that the matter be left with the Selectmen and that they have full authority to re-employ legal counsel and carry on the defence as far as they think best for the interest of the town

Voted That the present board of Selectmen be continuous a Committee to carry the case to its final issue

Voted To dissolve the meeting

Attest

Ancill Dorman

Town Clerk

1877 At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified as by the Constitution required to vote in elections held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said town, on Tuesday the sixth day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy seven for the purpose of giving in their votes for a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, and Attorney General of the Commonwealth. For a Councillor for the Fifth District. For a Senator for the Fifth Essex District. a Representative to the General Court for the Fifteenth Essex District For a Sheriff for the County of Essex. For Three Commissioners of Insolvency. A District Attorney, One County Commissioner and two Special Commissioners, also to bring in their votes Yes, or No, on the proposed amendment of the Constitution. All on one ballot,

The polls were opened at twenty five minutes past ten o'clock A.M. and closed at twenty eight minutes past twelve P.M.

The whole number of ballots given in was Fifty five

The ballots were all sorted, counted and recorded and public declaration made thereof in open meeting as the law directs and were for the following persons Viz:

For Governor of the Commonwealth

Alexander H. Rice of Boston	Fifty one
William Gaston of Boston	Thirty
Robert C. Pitman of Newton.	Four

For Lieutenant Governor

Horatio G. Knight of Easthampton	Fifty five
William R. Plunkett of Pittsfield	Thirty

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For Secretary of the Commonwealth

Henry B. Pierce of Abington	Fifty five
Weston Howland of Fairhaven	Thirty

Treasurer and Receiver General

Charles Endicott of Canton	Fifty five
David N. Skillings of Winchester	Thirty

For Auditor

Julius Le. Clarke of Newton	Fifty five
John E. Fitzgerald of Boston	Thirty

For Attorney General

Charles R. Train of Boston	Fifty five
Charles P. Thompson of Gloucester	Thirty

For Councillor District No 5.

Harmon Hall of Saugus	Fifty four
James H. Carleton of Haverhill	Thirty
William Cogswell of Bradford	one

For Senator Fifth Essex District

Jackson B. Swett of Haverhill	Fifty five
Preston M. Chase of Danvers	Thirty

For Sheriff

Horatio G. Herrick of Lawrence	Fifty five
William M. Hill of Salem	Thirty

For District Attorney

Edgar J. Sherman of Lawrence	Fifty five
Harrison G. Johnson of Newburyport	Thirty

For County Commissioner

Joseph A. Proctor of Gloucester	Fifty five
J. Sidney Howe of Methuen	Thirty

For Special Commissioners

Aaron Sawyer of Amesbury	Fifty five
D. W. Bartlett of Essex	Fifty five
Horatio Pearl of Bradford	Twenty Nine
George A Lord of Ipswich	Thirty

For Commissioners of Insolvency

William L. Thompson of Lawrence	Fifty five
Nathaniel J. Holden of Salem	Fifty five
Dean Peabody of Lynn	Fifty five
Benjamin F. Brickett of Haverhill	Thirty
F. J. Douglas of Lynn	Thirty
William Nutting jr of Marblehead	Thirty

For Representative to Gen. Court 15th Essex District

Asa F. Howe of Rowley	Fifty five
William G. Brown of Ipswich	Thirty

Amendment of the Constitution

Yes.	Eleven
No.	None

Meeting dissolved

Attest Ancill Dorman
Town clerk,

1877

At a meeting of the Clerks of the towns of Ipswich Rowley and Boxford held in the Office of the Town Clerk of Ipswich on Wednesday the seventh day of November 1877 for the purpose of ascertaining the result of an election of a Representative to the next General Court for the Fifteenth Essex District, the result in each town as ascertained by the officers thereof was as follows:

In Ipswich

Asa F. Howe of Rowley had	280	votes
William G. Brown of Ipswich ..	243	"

In Rowley

Asa F. Howe had	127	
Wm G. Brown ..	74	

In Boxford

Asa F. Howe had	55	
Wm G. Brown ..	30	

And it was ascertained that Asa F. Howe of Rowley was elected Representative for said District and Certificates were made out accordingly

Attest

Ancill Dorman Town Clerk

December 10. 1877

I hereby certify that I have this day destroyed the votes cast at the last November election

Ancill Dorman Town Clerk

1878

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs held in the vestry in the First Parish in said town on Monday the fourth day of March A. D. 1878.

William R. Kimball Esqr was Chosen Moderator

B. S. Barnes was Chosen Town Clerk, and was sworn by [illegible] in the manner prescribed for the meeting

Chose — Lovell Dorman, George W. Chadwick, F. Henry Mason — Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

Chose — Joseph H. Jaques, J. F. Porter — Constables

Chose — Wm A. Kimball — Sealer of Weights and Measures

Chose — Wm H. Stone, Humphrey Perley, Andrew Frame, Wm R. Kimball, George B. Durgin, Israel F. Spofford — Fence Viewers

Chose — Henry Houlton, Wm R. Kimball — Pound Keepers

Voted, Voted — [illegible]

Chose — Daniel Bixby, Andrew Frame, [illegible] — Surveyors of Highways

[illegible] Parkhurst, [illegible] Killam, D. Frank Barnes — [illegible]

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	S. F. Porter	Continued
	J. W. Howe	
	Samuel B. Carleton	
	George W. Chadwick	
	John K. Cole	
	G. F. Turrell	
	F. C. Mason	Surveyors of Highways
	J. S. Potter	
	Asa Kimball	
	C. D. Foster	
	Israel Harris	
	Joseph H. Jones	
Chose	Wm. W. Emerson	
	S. H. Mason	Surveyors & Linters
	J. W. Howe	
	Israel Herrick	
	Andrew Frame	
	Elbridge Bird	
	John Pabody	
	G. F. Turrell	
	S. F. Porter	
	F. F. Herriman	
	John P. Kimball	
	John Cole	
	Israel F. Spofford	
Chose	[illegible]	Auditors
	Wm. R. Kimball	
Chose	George Parker	Tithingmen
	S. H. Howe	
	John W. Howe	
	[illegible]	
	[illegible]	
	Charles C. Anderson	
	William K. Fuller	

1875

Chose George Perley
Chas. H. Cole } Fence Viewers
Saml. [illegible]

Chose John Perley
John F. Berger
J. J. Perley
C. F. Harriman
John B. Howe } Measurers of
John Parkhurst
John Pearl
Andrew Frame } Wood and Bark
J. A. Wood
Saml. [illegible]
Israel Herrick
Israel R. [illegible]
Samuel Berry
N. H. Howe

Chose (David Brimmer) School Committee for 3 yrs
Voted To take up 2d article
Chose (Minot Killam) Sealer of Weights and measures

Voted To accept the Report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Posts and Boards.
Voted to accept the report of the Committee on School Houses.
Voted to accept the report of the auditors (Paid)
Voted To accept the following list of jurors presented by the Selectmen 172

Edward Howe	Charles F. Andrews
Israel Herrick	Alonzo J. Hunting
George Perley	Charles R. Anderson
John B. Howe	Paul C. Davis
Rufus H. Emerson	Frank E. Mason
Solomon H. Howe	Israel F. Safford
George W. Turkhill	George B. Austin

1878

Voted To allow a bill presented by Lea W. Chadwick for service as Chairman of Selectmen, Assessor & Overseer of the Poor, including Cash paid for Stationery Carfare postage justices fees to the past year $94,45

Voted To allow a bill presented by Ansell Parmen for Service as one of the Selectmen, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year. $51,14
To Cash paid for Postage Express Fare &c 13,56
$64,70

Voted To allow a bill presented by John K Cole for Service as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the last year including a journey July 24th to Salem & Ipswich in the Case of Mitchell $35,50

Voted To allow a bill presented by Minot Killam for Service as Treasurer & Collector for the remainder of the year of 1877 beginning Dec 4th $25,00

Voted That all persons having bills against the town present the same to the Selectmen for allowance on or before the 17th day of Feb 1879 – And that the Selectmen present their bills for Services to the town for allowance –

Voted To raise one thousand dollars $1000,00, for the Support of Schools and that it be divided equally amongst the Several Schools –

Voted To raise two thousand dollars $2000,00, to defray town Charges the Current year –

Voted To raise One thousand dollars $1000,00 for repairs and amendments of Highways & Bridges and $200,00 that to be raised & kept for emergencies –

Voted To allow a bill presented by the Estate of John E. Killam for his Service as Treasurer & Collector for the Current year until Dec 4th $45,00

Voted That the Selectmen on or before the Eighteenth day of April next apportion to each Surveyor of Highways such part of the amount voted for repairs of Highways as they may think best, having regard as far as may be to the Condition of the Roads in each Highway District, and it shall be the duty of each Surveyor faithfully and impartially to expend the Sum thus assigned to him in making the necessary repairs of Highways within his District;

Voted That Surveyors of the Highways and Fence Viewers may employ teams & laborers in Repairs — Wages to men & teams without board, at the following rates viz. for a man & team with a Cart fifteen cts per hour for two horses and a Cart twenty cts per hour — and for a Plough or Shovel and for a Cart five cents per hour each while used on the Highways —

Voted That the Taxes be Committed to the Collector within four days of the first day of September next and that a discount of five per cent be allowed on all taxes voluntarily paid before the first day of October and two per cent if paid before the first day of November, and all taxes are to be collected before the first day of Dec 1878

Voted That the breaking out of the Roads when encumbered with Snow be left to the discression of the Surveyors and that the Compensation of such service be left to the Selectmen. except 20 cts per hour shall be allowed for Oxen

Voted [illegible]

Voted That the Sums so assessed be paid from the Score Board to relief and Poor.

Voted That the Poor be sent to the Master of the Poor House [illegible] Surveyor of Roads [illegible] for Poor & $5.00 per week — & [illegible] & [illegible] a [illegible] at the Spring

1878

19th Article — To choose a member of the Committee on Schoolfunds in place of Wm. E. Killam Decd

Chose — Isrdell Herrick on said Committee

20 article — In regard to a History of the Town of Boxford by Sidney Perley—

Chose — A Committee to examine Mr Perleys manuscripts consisting of three, The Revd S. D. Gammell, Revd David Brimmer and Mr George W. Chadwick, and if they think favorable of the matter, they are authorized to take 40 Copies for the Town and draw on the Treasurer to pay for the same,

Voted — To dissolve the meeting—

Attest,
B. S. Barnes
Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Boxford qualified to vote in town affairs held in the Vestry in the first Parish on Thursday July 25th/78

Wm. R. Kimball was chosen Moderator

Voted — under the second article in regard to a notice received from J. P. & B. B. Jones Esqrs Attorneys for Chas A. Kimball of Georgetown who Claims damages for injuries received as alleged by a defect in the Highways, Voted that a Committee of three be Chosen. Chose. Ancill Dorman John K. Cole & Geo W. Chadwick— To investigate the matter & if thought best to settle with Mr Kimball, but if no settlement is made & the Town is Sued, this Committee has full power to employ Legal Counsel and Carry on the defence as they think best for the Town to its final issue

Voted — To dissolve the meeting — B. S. Barnes, Town Clerk

1878 At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford qualified to vote in Town affairs held in the vestry in the 1st Parish on Tuesday Oct 5th 1878

Chose George W. Chadwick Moderator

Voted To allow a bill presented by Ancill - Dorman - For service as one of the Committee in the Case of Annie M Lander v. s, Town of Boxford, & Cash pd for tenn. entertainment &c 33.49

Voted To pay John K. Coles bill for Service in the above Case, as Committee &c — 23.50

Voted To allow a bill presented by J. F. Porter for labour on the Highways 25.25

Dissolved the meeting

Attest

S. D. Barnes —

Town Clerk

1878

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Boxford qualified as by the Constitution are entitled to vote in elections, held in the Vestry in the first Parish in said Town on Tuesday the fifth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy eight for the purpose of giving in their votes for a Representative in Congress for the sixth Mass District, also for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer & Reciever General, Auditor and Attorney Gen for the Commonwealth, for a Councillor for the Fifth District for a Senator for the Fifth Essex District, and for a Representative to the General Court for the fifteenth Essex District, — and for a County — ~~County~~ Treasurer, and Register of Probate and Insolvency and County Commissioner —

The polls were opened at a quarter past ten O'clock and closed at fifteen minutes past twelve The whole number of ballots given in was 164 —

The ballots were all sorted, counted and recorded and public declaration made thereof in open meeting as the law directs, and were for the following persons viz

For Governor of the Commonwealth

Thomas Talbot of Billerica One hundred & twenty
Josiah G. Abbott of Boston Twenty Six
Benjamin F. Butler of Lowell Eighteen

For Lieutenant Governor

John D. Long of Hingham One hundred & fifteen
William R. Plunkett of Pittsfield Thirty one
John T. Arnold of North Adams Ten

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For Secretary of State –

Henry B. Peirce of Abington One hundred & twenty three
Henry C. Luring of Holyoke Thirty three
Joshua Haveland of Fairhaven Nine

For Treasurer and Receiver General.

Charles Endicott of Canton One hundred & twenty two
David A. Skillings of Winchester thirty two
John H. Jennings of New Bedford ten

For Auditor –

Francis L. Clark of Needham One hundred & twenty two
John C. Fitzgerald of Boston thirty two
Davis J. King of Boston ten

For Attorney General

George Marston of New Bedford One hundred and twenty two
Richard Olney of Boston Thirty three
John Lakeman of Salem Ten

For Councillor. 5th District

Harmon Hall of Saugus One hundred & twenty two
James N. Buffum of Lynn – Forty two

For Representative to Congress 6th District

George B. Loring of Salem One hundred & fifteen
James H. Carleton of Haverhill thirty eight
E. [illegible] Bagnell of West Newbury Nine

For Senator 5th Essex District

Stephen Osgood of Georgetown One hundred and twenty five
Preston M. Chase of Danvers thirty two
C. C. Morse of Newburyport Seven

1878

For Representative to General Court 1st Essex District

William F. Croggin of Rowley ninety two
George W. Chadwick of Rowley fifty nine
Andrew Woodbury of Ipswich one

For County Commissioner –

John W. Raymond of Beverly one hundred & twenty two
Andrew H. Pettengill of Newburyport forty two

For County Treasurer –

C. Kendall Perkins of Andover one hundred and twenty two
Benjamin C. Ward of Lynn forty two

For Register of Probate and Insolvency –

Abner C. Goodale of Salem one hundred & twenty four
Jeremiah J. Mahoney of Salem forty

Meeting dissolved,

Attest,

B. S. Barnes –

Town Clerk –

1878 At a meeting of the Clerks of the Towns of Ipswich Rowley and Boxford, held in the Office of the Clerk of Ipswich on Wednesday the sixth day of November 1878,

for the purpose of ascertaining the result of an election of a Representative to the next General Court for the 15th Essex District.

The result in each Town as ascertained by the officers thereof was as follows –

In Ipswich

Revd John S. Coggin of Boxford had	329	votes
Geo. W. Chadwick of Boxford "	67	"
Andrew Woodbury of Ipswich "	236	"

In Rowley

Revd John S. Coggin had	126	"
George W. Chadwick "	18	"
Andrew Woodbury "	84	"

In Boxford

Revd John S. Coggin had	92	votes
George W. Chadwick "	69	"
Andrew Woodbury "	01	"

And it was ascertained that the Revd John S Coggin of Boxford was elected Representative for said District, and Certificates were made out accordingly

Attest

D. N. Barnes) Town Clerk –

1879 At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Dover qualified to vote in elections and town affairs held in the Public Hall in the Second District in said town on Monday, the third day of March A.D. 1879 —

Chose Jno. L. Kimball Moderator
B. F. Barnes Jno. L. Kimball Town Clerk & Sworn
Jno. R. Chadwick B. F. Barnes & J. K. Cole
Selectmen & Assessors & Overseers of the Poor
Chose Albert H. Jones & Frank Atkinson Constables
" Jno. L. Kimball Treasurer & Collector
" Gardner S. Morse School Committee for 3 yrs

Field Drivers

Chose Samuel Hunt, Warren Chadwick, Jno. L. Kimball
Joseph H. Jones, Charles Riley & Orrill Lawson
Pound Keepers

" Henry Moulton & Jno. L. Kimball
Voted To passover the 4th Article in regard to Road Commissioner
" " Take up the 5th Article
Chose Surveyors of Highways
" Orrin F. Killam, Andrew Frame, Louis M. Cole.
Albert H. Jones, John Parkhurst, Geo. F. Killam,
B. Frank Barnes, Geo. F. Harriman, Geo. P. Jones
Samuel B. Lawton, Jno. Riley, John L. Cole, Frank Atkinson
Henry Riley, C. A. Foster, George B. Austin, Israel Herrick,
Joseph H. Jones & Jno. Marshall —

Surveyors of Lumber

Chose John Parkhurst, Israel Herrick, George Pol[illegible]
J. K. Hall, Israel F. Whitten, Louis M. Cole, Joseph Riley
G. F. Harriman, Joseph Pol[illegible], Stephen Pol[illegible], John Pol[illegible]
John L. Cole & Jno. B. Hall.

Measurers of Wood & Bark —

Chose John Pol[illegible], Frank Atkinson, John L. Cole, Joseph Pol[illegible],
Joseph Riley, John Parkhurst, B. F. Barnes, Jno. L. Cole,
Samuel P. Pol[illegible], O. F. Killam, Samuel B. Lawton
Andrew Frame, Henry Barker, Jno. [illegible], Joseph [illegible]

Fence Viewers

Chose J. K. Chadwick, Orrill Lawson, Joseph Riley

1870

Voted Ernest Killam Sealer of Weights & Measures

Voted N. K. Foster, Franklin Jaques, E. G. Batchelder, Ansill Dorman, E. C. Hoar, J. K. Cole, Chas Perley, Wm F. Harriman & David Ward Tithingmen

Voted That the Selectmen Print & Circulate the doings of the town at (March Mtg) or before the annual meeting

Voted To accept the report of the Selectmen on Guide-Posts & Boards & that the Selectmen put up Iron guide Boards where needed -

Voted To accept the Report of the Committee on School Funds -

Voted To accept the Report of the Auditors -

Voted To accept the persons presented by the Selectmen for jurors -

The following bills were allowed -

Geo W. Chadwick to Service as one of the Committee in the Lander Case vs Town of Boxford	4.00
Also for Cash pd out in said Case	3.40
Cash to Service as one of the Selectmen, Assessors & Overseers of the Poor the last year	50.00
Ansill Dorman to Service as Chairman of the Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the last year -	61.50
To Cash pd for Postage Stationery & Paper	25.58
James H. Olson to Service as one of the Selectmen, Assessors & Overseers of the Poor the last year	40.00
To Cash to the Treasurer of the Poor the last year,	10.00

The following list of jurors was then drawn

Charles T. Andrews	Moses Peaslee
Charles L. Anderson	Enoch Pillsbury
Stephen Bailey	Solomon Hale
Frank G. Boynton	George Perley
John A. Foster	Israel Merrick
George Stickney	Wm Bellows
Andrew S. Horne	Horace B. Harriman

1879

Voted That all bills against the Town be presented to the Selectmen for allowance on or before Feb 15th 1880 except the Selectmen's bill and to be presented to the Town at the annual meeting for allowance.

Voted That the School No 2, raise Seventy Dollars $70.00 of unexpended money belonging to that School the ensuing year,

Voted To raise One Thousand Dollars for the support of Schools the ensuing year.

Voted To raise Two Thousand Dollars to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the Town the ensuing year.

Voted To raise One thousand Dollars for repairs and amendments of Highways and Bridges the current year and also Two Hundred Dollars extra to be used by the Selectmen on the roads, as it may be required

Voted That the Selectmen on or before the fifteenth day of [illegible] shall [illegible] Surveyors of Highways such part of the [illegible] repairs of Highways as they may think best, having regard as may be regard to the condition of the roads in each Highway district. And it shall be the duty of each Surveyor to [illegible] and impartially to expend the sum thus assigned to him in making the necessary repairs of Highways within his District,

Voted That Surveyors of Highways and those under them may [illegible] as follows, A

For a man fifteen cents per hour, for a yoke of Oxen fifteen cents per hour, for a horse & Cart fifteen cents per hour, for two horses and a cart twenty cents per hour, and for a Plough Ox Shovel & Cart five cents each per hour while used on the Highways.

1879

Voted That the Taxes be committed to the Collector within [illegible] days of the first day of September next, and that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all moneys paid to him on or before the first day of October, and two per cent on all paid on or before the first day of November, and all taxes not paid on or before the first day of Dec 1879

Voted That the breaking out of the Roads encumbered with Snow be left to the discretion of the Surveyors, and that the compensation for such service be left with the Selectmen & Highway Agents, & the hour shall be paid for actual in taking Snow.

Voted That the Schools be suspended until the end of the term, & that the Selectmen be authorized to carry out the same, & that the Teachers be paid for the time they have taught, & the Selectmen be authorized to hire a room for the Schools in the Town House.

Voted Mr Cross, in regard to the Town Warrant and Andrews Mills, that the House of Teachers should

Voted That the 40 Copies of the History, & the Town Seal be sold at cost, & a person to have charge of the Town property be chosen, & the Selectmen, after the said 40 Copies shall be disposed of, if any shall be, shall procure a Seal of the Town and continue the Sale; & the Selectmen shall obtain what Copies of the Book the Town may need for their official use &c.

[illegible] Resolved in regard to discontinuing [illegible]

Voted To dissolve the meeting, at 10 P.M. Jones [illegible] Clerk

At a legal meeting meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs held in the vestry in the 2d Parish in said town on Monday the 5th day of May 1879

John R. Kimball was chosen moderator

Chose John E. Perley, in place of L. E. Nason [illegible]

[illegible] J. C. Day [illegible] Sawyer, [illegible]

[illegible] Sawyer, [illegible] hunter

In regard to stocking the ponds with useful fish it was voted that the Selectmen should stock the Bald Pate Pond and it was left discretionary with the Selectmen in regard to stocking other ponds in Town for the purpose of cultivating useful fish in accordance with the provisions of Sec 9 Chapt 384 Acts of 1869 of the Commonwealth of Mass.

The above ponds to be stocked for and at the expense of the town of Boxford.

It was voted that the Selectmen should meet the fish Commissioners at Boston May 10th 1879 to oppose the Leasing of Bald Pate or any other Ponds in Boxford to out of town parties.

Voted To adjourn to Monday May 12 inst at 8 o'clock P.M. agreeable to adjournment the legal voters met and voted to authorise the Selectmen to lease and stock the following ponds viz.

Baldpate, Stiles & Four Mile Ponds with useful fish, agreeable to the Acts of 1869 of the Commonwealth of Mass

Voted to [illegible]

[illegible] J. C. [illegible]

Town Clerk

1879 At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Oxford qualified to vote in Town affairs held in the hall in the second precinct on the 14th day of October current called & held.

Voted To see if the Town will accept the report of the Surveyors of Highways
Voted To approve the Highways established for by one hundred freeholders
Voted To receive the claims of the Pittsburg & Haverhill (formerly Worcester & Nashua) Railroad for damages sustained by reason of a defect in the Highway in Oxford
Voted The Selectmen for a Committee.

Voted to dissolve the meeting.

Attest Oct 14th 1879 B. F. Brousseau Clerk

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Bedford qualified to vote in elections held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said town on Tuesday the fourth day of November 1879 – for the purpose of giving in their votes for a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Councillor for the fifth District, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor of the Commonwealth, Attorney General, Senator for the [illegible] District, Representative to the General Court for the [illegible] Essex District, [illegible] County Commissioner, [illegible] Register of Deeds for Essex County. All on one ballot.

The polls were opened [illegible]

half [illegible]

[illegible]

Whole number of votes [illegible]

One hundred and [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

For Governor of the Commonwealth

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] eighteen
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] eighteen
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] King [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] fifteen
[illegible]
[illegible] King [illegible]
[illegible] eighteen
[illegible] fifteen
[illegible]
[illegible] fifth [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] eighteen
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] eighty [illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] eighteen
[illegible] fourteen
[illegible]
[illegible]
Kendall Jenkins [illegible] eighty [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible]
Charles S. [illegible] eighteen
[illegible] fourteen
[illegible]
[illegible]

1880

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Hamilton qualified to vote in Elections and in Town affairs, held at the Vestry of the Second Church of Christ on Tuesday June 20th 1880 for the purpose of passing in their Votes for One County Commissioner for the County of Essex,

The Polls were opened at 1 o'clock P.M. and were closed at four P.M.

The entire number of Votes was twenty three

The Votes were all sealed up and carefully the Ballot Box was then in open meeting on the 22nd inst — and were found in favor of the following persons,

Viz

For County Commissioner

Zachariah Burnett Esqr Thirteen
J. Sidney Hale Esqr Nineteen Seven
George H. Cobb Esqr Twenty Three

Voting resulted first
Mr. Burnett
was duly

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town [illegible] qualified to vote in town affairs held in the vestry of the Second Parish in said Boxford on Tuesday the twenty ninth day of January 1880 —

Art 1st To choose a moderator & chose Wm R. Smith [illegible]

Art 2d To see what action the town will take in regard to the construction of the road ordered by the County Commissioners on the petition of Andrew Frame & others, & [illegible] On this article the town chose a committee of three viz Thomas Sawyer, Andrew Frame, & John K. Cole, — this committee to go before the County Commissioners, and see if they will open the case in regard to the location of the road under consideration, & the committee to report their doings at annual meeting in March next.

Art 3 In regard to choosing committees & [illegible]

Voted over — Meeting Dissolved

[illegible] S. S. Parker

Town Clerk

1880 At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified to vote in elections and town affairs at the vestry in the First Parish in Boxford on Monday the first day of March 1880

Chose J. R. Cole Moderator

" Ancill Dorman Town Clerk - the clerk was sworn in open meeting by B. S. Barnes Esqr

" John Parkhurst, Geo. W. Chadwick, A. J. Henley } Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

" Albert H. Towne, Charles R. Anderson } Constables

" William R. Kimball Treasurer

" William R. Kimball Collector

Voted To suspend action on the 2nd and take up the 4th article

" Vot to accept the provisions of Ch 158 Laws of 1871 in regard to road Commissioners

" To take up the 3rd article of the warrant.

Chose Rev S. D. Cammell a member of the School Committee for three years.

Voted To resume the 2nd article

Chose Wm R. Kimball, Geo. S. Dodge, Samuel P. Gurley, J. H. Janes, Ancill Dorman, O. P. Hillam } Field drivers

" Henry Moulton, Wm R Kimball } Pound Keepers

1881

Chose

John S. Kennett
Thomas Sawyer
George S. Dodge
Albert H. Towne
Horace Berry
Oliver P. Killam
Elbridge Perley
John J. Leadd
Asa P Howe
Samuel B. Carleton
Geo. W Chadwick
J. K Cole
Isaac C Day
Charles Perley 2nd
Reginold D. Foster
Geo. B. Austin
Israel Herrick
Jos. H. Janes
Geo W. Twitchell

} Surveyors of Highways

Chose

Andrew Frame — John Parkhurst
Israel Herrick — S. W. Howe
Stephen A Bixby — John Pearl
J. J. Porter — B. F. Peabody
D. M. Cole — D. F. Harriman

} Surveyors of Lumber

Surveyors of Lumber

Chose

John Pearl — Samuel P. Peabody
D. F. Harriman — D. M. Cole
Andrew Frame — Wm W Howe
Elbridge Perley — S. W. Howe
Asa P. Howe — Stephen A. Bixby
Horace Berry — Samuel B. Carleton

} Measurers of Wood & Bark

Measurers of Wood and Bark

Chose

Samuel P. Peabody
Wm R. Kimball
James W Chadwick

} Fence Viewers

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Chose — John Peabody Sealer of weights and Measures

Voted — Not to choose Tythingmen

Chose — John Peabody, Wm H Wood } Auditors

Voted — That the Report of the Auditors be circulated or left at the Post Office previous to the next annual meeting.

Voted — To accept the Report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Posts and Boards

Voted — To accept the report of the Committee on School Funds

Voted — To accept the following list of Jurors presented by the Selectmen Viz

Henry Moulton	Daniel F Harriman
Stephen A. Bixby	James W. Chadwick
Benj. Frank Barnes	Charles R. Anderson
Israel Herrick	Alonzo J. Henley
James B. Sawyer	Gardner S. Morse
Richard F. Gurley	Charles A. Andrew
George Perley	Geo W. Chadwick

Voted — To allow a bill of charge presented by Geo W. Chadwick for his services as Chairman of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year $105.00

To Cash paid for Carfare Stationery Postage &c 13.12

" " " " printing Selectmen's Report 12.00

Total $130.12

" To allow a bill presented by B. S. Barnes for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the past year including $10.50 for cash paid and extra service setting Posts &c $69.50

" To allow a bill presented by John K. Cole for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year $33.50

Also for service as one of the Committee in the case of Kimball Vs Bosford $4.00

$37.50

1880

Voted To allow a bill presented by Wm R. Kimball for his services as Treasurer and Collector of taxes the past year $70.00

" To allow a bill presented by Geo. W. Chadwick for 3 Guide Posts & labor putting up Guide Boards $ 4.75

" To allow a bill presented by Wm E. Perley, constable, for arresting and conveying to Lawrence, two Tramps $ 3.00

" That the Selectmen bring in their bills for services to the town for allowance, and that all other bills be presented to the Selectmen for allowance.

" That the Selectmen close their accounts as early as the fifteenth day of February next

" That all orders shall be signed by a majority of the Selectmen before being paid by the Treasurer

" To raise one thousand dollars $1000., for the support of Schools the ensuing year to be expended according to the provisions of law.

" To raise two thousand dollars $2000., to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the town the ensuing year.

" To raise one thousand dollars $1000., to be apportioned to the several Surveyors for the repairs and amendments of Highways and Bridges the ensuing year

" To raise two hundred dollars $200. to be used in cases of emergency for repairs and amendments of Highways

" That the Selectmen on or before the fifteenth day of April next apportion to each Surveyor of Highways such part of the amount voted for repairs as they may think best having regard as far as may be to the condition of the roads in each Highway District. And it shall be the duty of each Surveyor faithfully and impartially to expend the sum thus assigned to him in making the necessary repairs of Highways within his District.

1880
Voted

That Surveyors of Highways and those under their employ be allowed as follows;

For a man fifteen cents per hour - for a yoke of Oxen fifteen cents per hour - for a Horse and Cart, fifteen cents per hour for two Horses and a cart twenty cents per hour - and for a Plow Ox shovel & Cart, each, five cents per hour while used on the Highways -

" That Surveyors do not work on the roads except in dangerous places, until they receive their assignments from the Selectmen -

" That the breaking out of the roads when encumbered with snow be left to the discretion of the Surveyors, and that the compensation for such service be left to the discretion of the Selectmen except that twenty cents per hour shall be allowed for a Yoke of Oxen in said service.

" That the taxes be committed to the Collector within four days of the first day of September next - and that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes voluntarily paid before the first day of October - and two per cent on all paid before the first day of November, and all taxes are to be collected before the first day of December 1880.

" That the Assessors commence and improve from year to year as far as may be, the manner of making out our Valuation so it may conform to the requirements of the law in that behalf.

" That the schools be supplied with wood from the Town farm, to be cut and housed, and paid for from the School money to the Master of the Almshouse -

" That the Selectmen be instructed to go forward and stock the three Ponds leased to the town, with Black Bass, in accordance with arrangements made with the Fish Commissioners.

" That the School Committee be instructed to put new seats in School house No 2 also in No 3, to repaint School House No 4 and make such other repairs on the School Houses as may be needed.

1880

Voted To choose a Committee of three by ballot, to see to the working of the road as ordered by the County Commissioners on petition of Andrew Frame and others.

Chosen John K. Cole
Andrew Frame } Committee
Thomas Sawyer

Voted That the Committee let out the working of the road in sections to the lowest bidder.

" To abate the taxes set to the following persons by request of Minot Fillam. Viz: Theo. Fry $2.00 – C. C. Stevens $2.00 Wm A. Harnden $1.09 – J. L. Adams $2.00 Stephen Fowler $2.00 Wm Gunnison $2.00 – Edward Hussey $2.00 – W. D. Leander $2.74 Wm H. Newhall $2.00 – C. Pearson $1.95 – Oliver Russell $2.00 Charles W. Tarbox $2.00

" To accept the widening of the road near the house of B. F. Peabody as verbally reported by the Selectmen

" To adopt the following By-Laws concerning Truant Children

Article 1. The town of Boxford hereby avails itself of the several provisions of the Statutes of this Commonwealth now in force, relating to habitual truants and absentees from School; and in pursuance of authority conferred thereby, adopts the following By-Laws.

Article 2. All children between the ages of seven and fifteen years residing in said town, and who may be found wandering about in the streets or public places of said town having no lawful occupation or business, not attending school and growing up in ignorance, shall be committed to the most available institution for confinement, instruction and discipline.

Art. 3. Two or more truant-officers shall be appointed annually whose duty it shall be to inquire into all violations of the truant-laws, and of the law relating to compulsory education, and to do all the acts required of them by the laws of the Commonwealth.

1881

Art. 4. It shall be the duty of every truant-officer, prior to making any complaint under these laws, to notify the truant or the absentee from school, also his parent or guardian of the offence committed and of the penalty therefor; and if the truant-officer can obtain satisfactory pledges for the restraint and reformation of the child, he may forbear to prosecute, so long as such pledges are faithfully kept.

Art. 5. It shall be the duty of the school committee, the teachers of the public schools and the citizens generally to aid the truant-officers as far as possible in the discharge of their duty.

Art. 6. It shall be the duty of the truant-officer to keep a full record of all their official acts, and make an annual report thereof to the School Committee, who shall publish the same with their own report.

Art. 7. Nothing in these By-laws shall be so construed as to alter or impair the obligation and duty of teachers to enforce punctuality and regularity of attendance and to preserve good order and discipline

Voted to dissolve the Meeting

Attest

Aneill Dorman, Town Clerk

1880

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified as by the constitution required to vote in elections, held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said town on Tuesday the second day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty for the purpose of giving in their votes for the number of Electors of President and Vice President of the United States to which this Commonwealth is entitled. Also for a Representative in Congress for the Sixth District: Also for a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor and Attorney General of the Commonwealth: for a Councillor for the Fifth District, For a Senator for the Fifth Essex District. A Representative to General Court for the Fifteenth Essex District. Three Commissioners of Insolvency. District Attorney. Sheriff. One County Commissioner. Two Special Commissioner. All on one ballot

The polls were opened at twenty minutes past ten o'clock and closed at twenty four minutes after two

The whole number of ballots given in was

The ballots were all sorted counted recorded and public declaration made thereof in open meeting as the law directs and were for the following persons viz

For Electors of President and Vice President.
At Large

Paul A. Chadbourne of Williamstown had One hundred and twelve
John M. Forbes of Milton had One hundred and twelve
Josiah G. Abbott " Boston " fifty eight
Jonas H. French " Gloucester " fifty eight

District No. 1

Marshal S. Underwood of Dennis. One hundred and twelve
Philander Cobb of Kingston fifty eight

District No 2

William C Lovering of Taunton One hundred and twelve
Peter Butler of Quincy " fifty eight

District No 3

Moody Merrill of Boston One hundred and twelve
Edward B. Rankin of Boston fifty eight.

District No 4

Rufus S. Frost of Chelsea One hundred and thirteen
Charles Levi Woodbury of Boston fifty seven

District No 5

Amos F. Breed of Lynn One hundred and thirteen
Christopher C. Rymes of Somerville fifty seven

District No 6

Augustus N. Clark of Beverly One hundred and twelve
James H. Carleton of Haverhill fifty eight

District No 7

Francis Jewett of Lowell one hundred and twelve
John C. Sanborn of Lawrence fifty eight.

District No 8

James M. W Hall of Cambridge One hundred and twelve
Leverett Saltonstal of Newton fifty eight

District No 9

Charles E Whiten of Northbridge One hundred and twelve
Edwin Conant of Worcester fifty eight

District No 10

William B. C Pearsons of Holyoke One hundred and twelve
Nahum Harwood of Leominster fifty eight

District No 11

William C. Plunkett of Adams One hundred and twelve
Samuel W Bowerman of Pittsfield fifty eight

For Representative to Congress 6th Mass District

Eben F. Stone of Newburyport had One hundred & seven
Eben Moody Boynton of West Newbury " Sixty four

For Governor of the Commonwealth

John D Long of Hingham had One hundred and ~~nine~~ (109)
Charles P. Thompson of Gloucester " Sixty two

For Lieutenant Governor

Byron Weston of Dalton One hundred and nine
Alpa E. Thompson of Woburn Sixty one

For Secretary of State

Henry B. Peirce of Abington One hundred and fourteen
Michael T. Donahue of Somerville fifty seven

For Treasurer and Receiver General

Daniel A Gleason of Medford. One hundred and thirteen
Francis J. Parker of Newton fifty nine

For Auditor

Charles R. Ladd of ~~Springfield~~ One hundred and twelve
Charles R Field of Greenfield fifty nine

For Attorney General

George Marston of New Bedford One hundred and eleven
Patrick A Collins of Boston fifty nine

For Councillor 5th Esses District

Joseph Davis of Lynn One hundred and six
Joseph J. Davis of " six
Forrest Le Evans of Salem fifty nine

For District Attorney

Edgar J Sherman of Lawrence One hundred and twelve
David O Allen of Lynn fifty nine

For Sheriff

Horatio G Herrick of Lawrence, one hundred and nine
J. Sidney Howe of Methuen Sixty three

For County Commissioner

Zachariah Graves of Lynn One hundred and twelve
Samuel M. Currier of Haverhill fifty eight

For Special Commissioners

Aaron Sawyer of Amesbury One hundred & twelve
Orlando B Tenney of Georgetown One hundred and thirteen
Mark Jewett of Rowley fifty nine
W. Frank Shepard of Marblehead fifty eight

For Commissioners of Insolvency

Nathaniel J Holden of Salem one hundred & twelve
Warren Pelton of Haverhill One hundred & twelve
William L Thompson of Lawrence One hundred & twelve
Harrison G. Johnson of Newburyport fifty nine
John C Sanborn of Lawrence fifty nine
Patrick J McCluster of Salem fifty nine

For Senator for 5th Essex District

Charles B. Rice of Danvers One hundred and four
Benjamin F. Brickett of Haverhill. Sixty six

For Representative to Gen Court 15th Essex District

Alonzo B. Fellows of Ipswich One hundred & eleven
Edward Dole of Ipswich Sixty

Meeting Dissolved

Attest Ancill Dorman
Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Clerks of the towns of Ipswich, Rowley and Boxford held at the office of the Town Clerk of Ipswich on Wednesday the third day of November 1880, for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the vote for Representative to the next General Court in the Fifteenth Essex District, the result in each town as presented by the clerks thereof was as follows;

In Ipswich

Alonzo B. Fellows of Ipswich had 370 – Edward Dole of Ipswich had 323

In Rowley

Alonzo B. Fellows .. .. .. 160 Edward Dole 117

In Boxford

Alonzo B. Fellows .. .. .. 111 Edward Dole 60

Shewing that Alonzo B. Fellows was chosen by one hundred and forty one majority, and certificates of his election were made out accordingly

Attest

Ancill Dorman
Town Clerk.

Dec 3. 1880

I hereby certify that in accordance with the provisions of law I have destroyed the ballots cast at the last November election

Ancill Dorman, Town Clerk

1881 At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified to vote in elections and town affairs held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said town on Monday the seventh day of March A.D. 1881.

Chose William R Kimball Moderator
" Ancill Dorman Town Clerk. The Clerk was in open meeting by James H. Webster Justice of the Peace

" George W. Chadwick, John Parkhurst, Charles Perley 2nd } Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

" Albert H. Towne, Charles R. Anderson } Constables

" William R. Kimball Treasurer
" William R. Kimball Collector

" Daniel Bixby, John Peabody, B. F. Barnes, Wm R. Kimball, Oliver P. Killam, Daniel F. Harriman } Field Drivers

" Henry Moulton, Wm R. Kimball } Pound Keepers

Voted To suspend action on the 2nd article in the warrant and take up the 5th article

" Not to choose Road Commissioners

" To resume the 2nd article and to choose Surveyors of Highways by ballot.

Chose Charles A. Tilbetts, George P. Frame, James H. Webster, Albert H Towne } Surveyors of Highways

Surveyors continued

Chose

Horace Berry
John T. Wood
B. F. Barnes
William K. Cole
Asa P. Howe
Israel F. Spofford
Surveyors

Charles Perley
John K. Cole
Isaac C. Day
Henry Perley
William E. Stetson
James W. Chadwick
Israel Herrick
Joseph H. James
George W. Twitchell
of Highways

Chose

Elbridge Perley
John Parkhurst
B. Frank Barnes
~~Samuel P. Peabody~~
Israel Herrick
Surveyors

Stephen A. Bixby
George W. Twitchell
Andrew Frame
John H. Nason
John Pearl
William K. Cole
of Lumber

Chose

Stephen A. Bixby
Andrew Frame
B. F. Barnes
S. P. Peabody
Measurers

Israel Herrick
John Parkhurst
Henry Perley
Wm K. Turnball
Warren M. Cole
William K. Cole
Isaac C. Day
John M. Pearl
of Wood and Bark

1881

Chose

William R. Kimball
James W. Chadwick
John K. Cole } Fence Viewers

Voted To choose eight Tythingmen in the First Parish to enforce the proper observance of the Sabbath

Chose

F. A. Howe
Samuel P. Curley
John Peabody
Moody Perley
Wm W Howe } Tythingmen

Jeremiah Rea
L. H. Cheney
Richard K. Foster
Deacon Potter
Wm A. Howe } in First Parish

Voted To add two more to chose

Chose

C. R. Anderson
J. W. Chadwick
D. M. Cole
C. H. Thuring
Charles Perley
George W. Chadwick
[illegible] K. Foster } Tythingmen in Second Parish

J. C. Day

Chose

Sidney Perley
E. E. Pearl } Auditors

Voted That the Auditors print and circulate their Report before the next annual meeting and include in it a copy of the warrant for the meeting

Chose S. F. Ayers, Sealer of Weights and Measures

Voted To take up the 4th Article.

" That the School Committee be required to appoint a Superintendent of Schools the current year

1881

Voted To instruct the Committee not to pay more than one hundred dollars for the Salary of Superintendent.

Voted To take up the 3rd article

Chose James H. Webster School Committee for 3 years

" Rev W. H. Coggin " " " 2 "

Voted To accept the Report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Posts and Boards.

Voted To take up the 8th article

" To allow a bill of charge presented by G. H. Horne and Annie Batchelder for balance of Salaries for teaching winter terms in Schools No 3. & No 4. $84.06

" To allow a bill presented by Annie F. Twitchell for service as School Committee including travel 27.40

For Repairs on School house No 1 2.00

$29.40

" To allow a bill presented by A. J. Henley for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year $40.00

" To allow a bill presented by John Parkhurst for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor for the year 1880. $60.00

" To allow a bill presented by Geo. W. Chadwick for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year including extra sittings $95.00

To cash paid for Justices fees 2.50

" " Car fare 1.50

" Stationery 1.60

" Postage money orders &c 3.61

$104.21

" To allow a bill presented by Wm R. Kimball for service as Treasurer & Collector the past year $70.00

1880

Voted To take up the 7th Article

" To accept the Report of the Committee on School Funds.

" That the Selectmen bring in their bills to the town for allowance, and that all other bills be presented to the Selectmen for allowance.

" To raise twelve hundred dollars $1200, for the support of Schools, and that one hundred and fifty dollars $150, of the same be expended in teaching music in the Schools.

" To raise two thousand five hundred dollars $2500, to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the town the ensuing year.

" To raise one thousand dollars $1000, for repair and amendments of Highways and Bridges. Also voted to raise two hundred dollars in addition to the above to be used in cases of emergency, for repairs of Highways.

" That the Selectmen on or before the fifteenth day of April next apportion to each Surveyor of Highways such part of the amount voted for repairs as they may think best, having regard as far as may be to the condition of the roads in each Highway District - and it shall be the duty of each Surveyor faithfully and impartially to expend the sum thus assigned to him in making the necessary repairs of Highways within his District.

" That Surveyors of Highways and those under their employ be allowed as follows, for a man fifteen cents per hour - for a Yoke of oxen twenty cents per hour - for a Horse and Cart 20 cents per hour - for two Horses and a Cart ~~thirty~~ cents per hour - and for a Plow Ox-shovel and Ox-cart each five cents per hour while used on the Highways.

1881

Voted That the manner of breaking out the roads when encumbered with snow, be left to the discretion of the surveyors - and that they shall allow for a pair of Horses thirty cents per hour - and for a man and a yoke of Oxen each twenty cents per hour.

" That the taxes be committed to the Collector on or before the tenth day of September next. and that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes voluntarily paid before the first day of October - and two per cent on all paid before the first day of November - and that all taxes be collected before the first day of December 1881.

" To have a valuation of estates taken the ensuing year

" That the Selectmen shall be a Committee to take the valuation with two additional Committee chosen one from each Parish, the same to be Assessors.

" That the Committee be instructed after completing the valuation to have a suitable number of copies printed for distribution

" To take up the 2nd article

Chose Henry A. Town } Additional Committee
James W. Chadwick } and Assessors

Voted To take up the 22nd article

" Not to ask the Legislature to extend to women who are citizens the right to hold town Offices and to vote in town affairs

" To accept the Report of the Auditors (printed

(over)

Voted To accept the following list of jurors submitted by the Selectmen. Viz;

Israel Herrick	Daniel F. Harriman
James R. Cleaveland	James W. Chadwick
Albert F. Owen	John Pearl
B. Frank Barnes	William R. Kimball
James B. Sawyer	William F. Harriman
Solomon W. Howe	George B. Austin
Horace Berry	James H. Nason
Henry Perley	Charles Perley

" That the Schools be supplied with fuel from the town farm, to be cut and housed, and paid for from the school money to the master of the Alms house.

" To leave the matter of protecting and maintaining our useful fishes with the Selectmen.

" To leave the matter of improving the grounds around the several school-houses with the School Committee.

" To abate the following taxes Viz;
Edward De Mar $2.00 – Stephen P. Fowler $2.00 – C. Seidmore Gurney $2.00 – William Gurnison $2.00 – Daniel Russell $4.00 Wid. Mary F. Ross $1.28 – William E. Stetson $2.00 –

" To commit to the custody of the two Public Libraries the books furnished by the State marked "Public Documents" to be divided by the Town Clerk and one half delivered to the Public Library located in each Parish.

Voted To dissolve the Meeting

Attest
Aneill Dorman
Town Clerk

1881 At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said town on Monday the twenty seventh day of June A.D. 1881 -

William R. Kimball Esq was chosen Moderator

Voted That the Treasurer be authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire such amount of money as may be necessary to meet the demands on the Treasury till the first day of October next; the same to be paid from the avails of the Town taxes the current year or of the year 1882.

Voted To indefinitely postpone all action on the third Article of the warrant which related to the renewal of the town notes

Voted To dissolve the meeting

Attest Amill Dorman
Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified to vote in town affairs, held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said town on Wednesday the 12th day of ~~November~~ October 1881.

Geo. W. Chadwick was chosen Moderator

Voted To accept the action of the Selectmen in laying out a town way from near the Rail Road Depot through land of Mrs. Lencinda Lewis to the road leading by the house of John Hale - (see report at the end of this record)

Voted That the Selectmen be a Committee to let out the working of said road.

Voted That the Selectmen be directed to let out the working of the road either in one or two sections, to the lowest bidder to be worked according to their direction and to

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Oct 12 meeting
Continued

Voted

their acceptance.
That the road be worked and completed before the first day of December next

Voted

To Dissolve the Meeting
Attest
Ansell Dorman Town Clerk

Report on the new road as accepted Oct 12. 1881

The following is the report of the Selectmen alluded to in the foregoing record.
"We the Selectmen of the town of Boxford, having complied with the requirements of the law in relation to notifying the owners of land over which we were petitioned to lay out a town way, have laid out such town way as follows; Beginning at a monument on the southerly side of the road leading by the house of John Hale in said Boxford at the land of Mrs Lucinda Lowe then through said Lowe's land southwesterly seventy three and one half rods to the road near the freight Depot; the said town way to be three rods ~~wide~~ in width from the westerly line of said rail road - and we have agreed to award the owner of the land over which said town way passes for her damages is as follows, One and three eighths acres of land Sixty Dollars $60, To seventy three and one half rods of Fence Seventy Five dollars.
And your Selectmen hereby respectfully report said town way to the town for its acceptance

Dated at Boxford this third day of October in the year 1881

Geo W Chadwick } Selectmen
John Parkhurst } of Boxford

A true Copy
Attest
Ansell Dorman Town Clerk

1881
November
Meeting

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified as by the constitution required to vote in elections, held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said town on Tuesday the eighth day of November in the year One thousand eight hundred and eighty one for the purpose of giving in their votes for a Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the Commonwealth, a Councillor for the Fifth District Secretary of the Commonwealth - Treasurer and Receiver General - Auditor of the Commonwealth - Attorney General - and for Senator Fifth Essex District. for County Commissioner, for a Representative Fifteenth Essex District in General Court - a Clerk of the Courts

Also on Article of amendment of the Constitution Yes. or No.

Article of Amendment

No person having served in the army or navy of the United States in time of war and having been honorably discharged from such service, if otherwise qualified to vote, shall be disqualified therefor on account of being a pauper, or if a pauper because of the non-payment of a Poll Tax. All on one ballot.

The polls were opened at eighteen minutes past ten o'clock A.M. and closed at eighteen minutes past two P.M.

The ballots were all sorted, counted and recorded and public declaration made thereof in open meeting as the law directs and were for the following persons viz:

For Governor of the Commonwealth

John D. Long of Hingham — Fifty four
Charles R. Thompson of Gloucester — Fifteen
Israel W. Anderson of Danvers — [illegible]

1881 At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town
1882 of Sexford qualified to vote in town affairs held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said town on Tuesday the eighth day of November 1881.

George W. Chadwick was chosen Moderator

Voted To build a new School house to be located as near as conveniently may be to the site formerly occupied by the Old Fifth District School house

Voted To choose a Committee of three to Oversee the building of said School house

Chose Israel F. Spofford, James H. Webster, Albert H. Towne } Committee

Voted That the expense of said School house including furniture, site & Outbuildings shall not exceed one thousand dollars

Voted That the house be completed on or before the fifteenth day of May next.

Voted That the Selectmen and building committee be authorised to accept the house when properly completed.

Voted That the Selection and procuring of a lot of land on which to erect a School house be left to the Selectmen

Voted To pass over the third article in the warrant

Voted To dissolve the Meeting

Attest
Lucille Dorman
Town Clerk

1881
Nov. 9

At a meeting of the Clerks of the towns of Ipswich, Rowley and Boxford held at the office of the town clerk of Ipswich on Wednesday the ninth day of November 1881 for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the vote cast the day previous, for Representative to the next General Court in the Fifteenth Essex District the result in each town as presented by the clerks thereof were as follows:

In Ipswich

Milton Ellsworth of Rowley 205 = Joseph F. Ross of Ipswich 1.19

In Rowley

Milton Ellsworth " " 115 Joseph F. Ross " " 58

In Boxford

Milton Ellsworth " " 56 Joseph F. Ross " " 15

370 192

Showing that Milton Ellsworth was chosen by one hundred and eighty four majority and certificates of his election were made out accordingly.

Attest

Nov 9, 1881. Lucill Dorman, Town Clerk

1882 At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said town on Monday the sixth day of March A.D. 1882

Chose John K. Cole Moderator

Chose Ancill Dorman Town Clerk. The Clerk was sworn in open meeting by B.S. Barnes Justice of the Peace

Chose John Parkhurst, Geo W. Chadwick, Israel F. Spofford } Selectmen

" Albert H. Towne, Charles R. Anderson } Constables

" Edward E. Pearl } Treasurer

" Edward E. Pearl } Collector

" Asa P. Howe, Daniel Bixby, Geo. B. Killam, William A. Howe } Field Drivers

John Ancill, Israel F. Spofford, Samuel B. Carleton, Wm R. Kimball, Charles Perley, Charles A. Andrew, James H. Webster

" Henry Moulton, Wm R. Kimball } Pound Keepers

" William W. Howe, Geo W. Curtis, Marshal P. Whittier } Surveyors of Highways

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Stephen Bixby
Horace Berry
Roscoe Cole
B. F. Barnes
Geo. A. Harriman
Asa R. Howe
Israel F. Spofford
} Surveyors

Geo W. Chadwick
John K. Cole
Wm R. Kimball
Henry Perley
Reginold D. Foster
Thomas L. Spofford
Israel Herrick
Geo W. Twitchell
F. A. Howe
} of Highways

Chose

Israel Herrick
Elbridge Perley
Stephen A. Bixby
Charles A. Tibbetts
Solomon W. Howe
John Parkhurst
D. F. Harriman
J. Horace Nason
John Pearl
F. F. Spofford
} Surveyors of Lumber

" John Peabody
Geo P. Frame
Stephen A. Bixby
Humphrey Perley Jr
Samuel P. Peabody
Warren M. Cole
John Pearl
Daniel F. Harriman
Wm K. Cole
James H. Webster
} Measurers of Wood & Bark

1882

Chosen — Wm R. Kimball, John K. Cole, Oliver P. Killam } Fence Viewers

Voted — To dispense with choosing Tything men

Chosen — John Peabody, Wm R. Kimball } Auditors

" — John Peabody, Sealer of weights & Measures

" — F. J. Stevens School Committee for three years

" — F. A. Howe " " " one year

Voted — That the School Committee be required to appoint a Superintendent of Schools.

" — To instruct the Committee not to pay more than one hundred dollars for Superintendents services

" — To accept the Report of the Selectmen on Guide Boards

" — To accept the Report of the Committee on School Funds

" — That the Selectmen bring in all their bills for services, to the town for allowance, and that all other bills be presented to the Selectmen for allowance

" — To raise twelve hundred dollars $1200., for support of Schools the current year.

" — To raise One hundred and fifty dollars $150., in addition to the above to be appropriated for instruction in music.

" — To pass over the 9th article in the warrant relative to the bequest of the late J. Tyler Barker for a Free School in Boxford.

1882

Voted That the Treasurer with the approbation of the Selectmen, be authorized to renew such of the town notes as the holders thereof, may wish to have renewed.
(This vote was passed unanimously 64. in favor & none against)

" To raise three thousand five hundred dollars ($3500.), to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the town the ensuing year

" To raise One thousand dollars ($1000.), for repairs and amendments of Highways & Bridges the ensuing year

" That the Selectmen on or before the fifteenth day of April next apportion to each surveyor of Highways such part of the amount raised for repairs as they may think best. having regard as far as may be to the condition of the roads in each Highway District And it shall be the duty of each surveyor faithfully and impartially to expend the sum thus assigned to him in making the necessary repairs of Highways within his District.

" That Surveyors of Highways and those under their employ be allowed as follows; for a man fifteen cents per hour — for a yoke of oxen twenty cents per hour - for a Horse and Cart twenty cents per hour. for two Horses and a Cart thirty cents per hour and for a Plow. Ox-shovel & Ox-Cart each five cents per hour while used on the Highways.

" That the manner of breaking out the roads when encumbered with snow be left to the discretion of the Surveyors. and that they shall allow for a pair of Horses thirty cents per hour - and for a man and for a yoke of Oxen each, twenty cents per hour

" That the taxes be committed to the Collector on or before the tenth day of September next - and that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes voluntarily paid before the first day of October - and two per cent on all

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paid before the first day of November and that all taxes be collected before the first day of January 1883.

Voted To instruct the Collector to finish up the collection of his list of taxes in accordance with the vote of the town.

" To supply the schools with fuel from the Town farm to be cut and housed and paid for from the School money to the Master of the Almshouse

" To leave the matter of protecting and maintaining our river useful fishes with the Selectmen

" To pass over the 18th article, relative to Woman Suffrage &c (Vote passed 37 to 23)

On the question "To see if the town will vote to grant licenses for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors, the result was Yeas 2 Nays 45

Voted To allow a bill of charge presented by Geo W. Chadwick for services as Chairman of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year $71.00

To cash paid for Car fare	6.50
" " " Books & Stationery	2.64
" " " Postage & drafts	2.51
" " " Justices fees	3.50
	$86.15

" To allow a bill presented by John Lathurst for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor $53.00

To cash paid for Posters Stamps &c	1.89
	$54.89

" To allow a bill of charge presented by Charles Perley 2nd for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor. $30.00

" To allow a bill presented by Geo W. Chadwick for services as one of the Assessors taking the valuation the past year and preparing list - 71 days @ $2. per day $142.00

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Voted To allow a bill presented by John Parkhurst for service as Assessor in taking the Valuation 29½ days $59.00

" To allow a bill presented by Charles Perley 2nd for service as Assessor in taking the Valuation 54 days @$2. $108.00

" To allow a bill presented by J. Warren Chadwick for service in taking the Valuation 29½ days @$2. $59.00

" To allow a bill presented by H. A. Towne for service taking the Valuation 52½ days @$2 -- $105.00

" To allow a bill presented by Gardener S. Morse for service as Superintendent of Schools the past year $100.00

" To accept the following list of Jurors presented by the Selectmen

James P. Cleaveland	John Pearl
Albert H. Towne	J. Warren Chadwick
B. Frank Barnes	Daniel F. Harriman
James B. Sawyer	Geo B. Austin
Solomon W. Howe	Wm F. Harriman
Horace Berry	Charles Perley
Henry Perley	

" To accept the Report of the Auditors (Printed)

" The thanks of the town to the Auditors for their very interesting Report. (Passed on motion of W. H. Fowler)

" That the Treasurer with the approbation of the Selectmen be authorized to borrow such sums of money as may be necessary for the payment of the demands on the Treasury in anticipation of the taxes of the ensuing year, and payable therefrom.

" To take up the 2nd Article of the warrant

Chose James H. Webster Field Driver and he was added to the list in the usual

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Police — To instruct the Selectmen to appoint ten Police Officers five in each Parish —

Voted — The thanks of the meeting to Dea J. K. Cole for the acceptable manner with which he has discharged the duties of Moderator

Voted — To Dissolve the Meeting —

Attest

Ancill Dorman Town Clerk

State Election Nov 7. — At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified as by the constitution required to vote in elections held in the Westry in the First Parish in said town on Tuesday the Seventh day of November in the year One thousand eight hundred and eighty two for the purpose of giving in their votes for a Representative in Congress District No 7. Governor of the Commonwealth. Lieutenant Governor. Councillor District No 5. Secretary of the Commonwealth. Treasurer and Receiver General. Auditor of the Commonwealth. Attorney General. Treasurer County of Essex. County Commissioner Register of Deeds southern Essex District. Senator Fifth Essex District. Representative in General Court Fifteenth Essex District. All on one ballot,

The polls were opened at two minutes past ten o'clock A.M. and closed in accordance with a vote of the town, at four minutes past two P.M.
The ballots were all sorted counted and recorded and public declaration made thereof in open meeting as the law directs and were for the following persons

Viz:

1 Oxen,

For Governor of the Commonwealth

Robert R. Bishop of Newton — Ninety five
Benjamin F. Butler of Lowell — Forty six

For Lieutenant Governor

Oliver Ames of Easton — Ninety seven
Samuel W Bowerman of Pittsfield — Forty five
George Dutton of Springfield — One

For Secretary of the Commonwealth

Henry B. Pierce of Abington — Ninety seven
David N. Skillings of Winchester — Forty five
John Howes of Worcester — One

For Treasurer and Receiver General

Daniel A. Gleason of Medford — Ninety seven
William A Hodges of Quincy — Forty five
George Foster of Lynn — One

For Auditor

Charles R. Leadd of Springfield — Ninety six
John P. Sweeney of Lawrence — Forty six
Augustus L Merchant of Everett — One

For Attorney General

Edgar J. Sherman of Lawrence — Ninety six
George F Verry of Worcester — Forty five
Elmer A Snow Athol — One

For Representative to Congress 7th District

Eben F. Stone of Newburyport — Ninety three
Charles P Thompson of Gloucester — Forty six
E Moody Boynton of West Newbury — Two

For Councillor 5th Distrct.

Edward H. Haskell of Gloucester Ninety seven
Alfred A. Mower of Lynn Forty five
Charles H. Richmond of Marblehead One

For County Commissioner

Edward B. Bishop of Haverhill One hundred and two
George J. L. Colby of Newburyport Thirty nine
Joseph Ridgeway of Haverhill One

For County Treasurer

E. Kendall Jenkins of North Andover Seventy one
E. Kendall Jenkins of Andover Seventy one

For Register of Deeds southern District

Charles S. Osgood of Salem One hundred and forty two
Francis H. Caskins of Danvers One

For Senator 5th Essex District

Nathan S. Kimball of Haverhill Eighty five
Edwin Bowley of Haverhill Fifty three
Henry M. Nelson of Georgetown Three

For Representative to General Court 15th Essex District

William R. Kimball of Boxford Sixty seven
George W. Chadwick of Boxford Sixty four

Voted to dissolve the meeting

attest

Lucill Dorman
Town Clerk

1882.
Nov 8.

At a meeting of the clerks of the towns of Ipswich Rowley and Boxford held at the office of the town clerk of Ipswich on Wednesday the eighth day of November 1882 for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the vote cast the day previous for Representative to the next General Court in the Fifteenth Essex District. the result in each town as presented by the clerks thereof was as follows.

In Ipswich

William R. Kimball of Boxford had 334 - George W. Chadwick of Boxford had 304

In Rowley

William R. Kimball of Boxford had 136. " " " " " 97

In Boxford

William R. Kimball of Boxford " 67 " " " " 64
537 465

Showing that William R. Kimball of Boxford was chosen by a majority of seventy two votes, and certificates of his election were made out accordingly

Attest

Nov 8. 1882 Ancill Dorman Town Clerk

I hereby certify that in accordance with the provision of law in that behalf I have destroyed the ballots cast at the last November Election

Feb 3. 1883 Ancill Dorman Town Clerk

1883 At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said town on Monday the fifth day of March A.D. 1883, the said inhabitants

Chose Edward E. Pearl — Moderator
" Ancill Dorman — Town Clerk

The Clerk was sworn in open meeting by B.S. Barnes a Justice of the Peace

" George W. Chadwick, John Parkhurst, Charles Perley 2nd — Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

" Albert H. Towne, Charles R. Anderson — Constables

" Edward E. Pearl — Treasurer

Voted To appoint the Treasurer collector of taxes

Chose Daniel A. Howe, Wm M. Andrews, Jeremiah Rea, Samuel B. Carleton, A. J. Henley, Daniel Bixby — Field Drivers
Lemuel A. Howe, James H. Webster, Oliver P. Killam, John Sias, Roscoe K. Cole

" Henry Moulton, Alden Spofford — Pound Keepers

" Humphrey Perley Jr, Geo W. Curtis, Warren M. Cole — Surveyors of Highways

1883

Chosen

Stephen A Bixby
Horace Berry
Oliver P. Killam
B. F. Barnes
Geo A. Harriman
Daniel A Howe
Israel F. Spofford
Charles Perley
John K. Cole
Francis Marden
George Doherty
Henry Perley
Samuel Sias
John M. Pearl
Geo W. Twitchell
F. A. Howe

} Surveyors of Highways

Chosen

Stephen A. Bixby
John Parkhurst
B. F. Barnes
Israel F. Spofford
Solomon W. Howe
Israel Herrick
Daniel F. Harriman
Francis Marden
Albert P. Hovey
Geo W. Twitchell
Elbridge Perley

} Surveyors of Lumber

Wm J. Badger
Stephen A. Bixby
John Peabody
Samuel P Peabody
Geo W Twitchell
John Pearl
Israel F Spofford
Daniel F. Harriman
Daniel L Reynolds
Warren M. Cole

} Measurers of Wood & Bark

1883

Chose John H. Cole
J. Warren Chadwick } Fence Viewers
Alice P. Killam

Voted Not to choose Tythingmen

" To leave the whole matter of appointing Police Officers with the Selectmen.

Chose Sidney Perley
Warren M. Cole. } Auditors

" John Peabody Sealer of Weights and Measures

" F. A. Howe School Committee for 3. years

Voted That the School Committee choose a Superintendent of Schools

" To accept the Report of the Selectmen on Guide boards

" To accept the Report of the Committee on School funds.

" That the Selectmen bring in all their bills for services to the town for allowance, and that all other bills be presented to the Selectmen for allowance

" To raise fourteen hundred dollars $1400, for the support of Schools the ensuing year and that two hundred dollars $200, of the same be appropriated for teaching, Music in the Schools.

" To raise two thousand three hundred dollars $2300, to defray the current expenses of the town the ensuing year

" To raise One thousand dollars $1000, for repairs of Highways and two hundred dollars $200, in addition thereto to be used in emergencies at the discretion of the Selectmen.

" That the Selectmen apportion the money to the several Surveyors and cause the same to be expended in repairs

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of Highways before the first day of October next and that all money unexpended at that date be returned to the Selectmen.

Voted That the manner of breaking out the roads when encumbered with snow be left to the discretion of the Surveyors - and that they shall allow for a pair of Horses thirty cents per hour, and for a man and a pair of Oxen each twenty cents per hour.

" That the taxes be committed to the Collector on or before the tenth day of September next - and that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes voluntarily paid before the first day of October, and two per cent on all paid before the first day of November - and that all taxes be collected before the first day of January 1884.

" That the Schools be supplied with fuel from the Town farm

" That the protecting and maintaining of our useful fishes be left to the Selectmen

" To pass over the 16th article of the warrant relating to woman Suffrage.

" To allow the following bills of charge

Bills Allowed

Geo. W. Chadwick for service as Selectman assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year	$90.00
To cash paid for car fare &c	2.50
" " " Stationery	1.84
" " " Postage	1.60
" " " Justice fees	3.75
	$99.69

John Parkhurst for Service as Selectman, assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year $76.00

Israel F. Spofford. Service as Selectman $11.50

Albert H Towne Extra service as Constable $26.50

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James H. Webster Service as School Committee
From March 1881 to March 1882 $22.50
Travelling Expenses 8.50
Bills Postage paid 71
$31.71

Allowed From March 1882 to March 1883 $18.00
Travelling Expenses 6.50
Cash paid for Postage 65 $25.15

Perley Bro's To maintaining a watering place
from Jan 1st 1881 to Jan 1st 1883 $6.00

Voted To accept the following list of jurors presented by the selectmen

William P. Clearland	John Pearl
Andrew Frame	John H. Nason
Solomon W Howe	Warren M. Cole
Frank L. Parkhurst	George Wright
B. Frank Barnes	Charles Perley
Henry Perley	Roscoe K. Cole
James B Sawyer	Geo W. Chadwick

" That the Auditors Report be committed to the present board of Auditors for revision

" That the matter of furnishing new seats for School Houses No 2 & 3. be left with the School Committee. Also voted that the disposal of the old seats be left to the School Committee.

" To pass over the 21st article relative to paying A.H. Towne for extra services as Constable.

" That the Treasurer be authorized to borrow such sums of money as may be necessary for the payment of the demands upon him in anticipation of the taxes of the ensuing year and payable therefrom

Voted That the town accept the provisions of Chap 242 of the Statutes of 1867

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Voted That the School Committee prepare such By-laws as they may deem proper in regard to habitual truants, and submit the same at an adjournment of this meeting

" That the School Committee be instructed to pay for the tuition of Isaac C Days children in Groveland at the rate of one half the cost per scholar in Groveland

On the question "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town"

Voted Yeas 4 Nays 26

Voted To abate the following taxes in Collector Wm R Kimballs lists

1878

George A Long $2.00
Horatio P. Russell $2.00
Thomas Richardson $2.00

1879

George A Hussey $1.75
Charles Prince $1.75
Theodore Russell $1.75
Leander Russell $2.08
Wm C. Stetson $1.75
G. W. Brean $1.75
A. A. Batchelder $1.75
Isaac Frye $1.75
James C Frye $1.75
Edward H French $1.75
Elisha Hoyt $2.00

1880

Thomas C Clement $2.00
Isaac Frye $2.00
Edward H French $2.00
J. V. Frost $2.00
John L Frost $2.00
Joseph R Hooper $2.00
Lewis D Hale $2.00

List 1880 Continued

Kendall Jenkins $2.00
Lea Forest Kennett $2.00
C C. Mortimer $2.00
Isaac H Sawyer $2.00
Wm C Stetson $2.00
George Wright $2.00
William Wright $2.00

1881

John C Ames $2.00
William Craigan $2.00
Bromwell Bronte $2.00
Thomas C Clement $2.00
Norman S. Cole $2.00
Wellington Davis $2.00
Isaac Frye $2.00
Charles Pettman $2.00
Leander Russell $2.19
John R Webster Jr $2.00
Francis H Williams $2.00
Lenfkin Winter $2.00

Over.

1883

Voted That the Surveyors of Highways be directed to path the snow in the several Cemeteries when necessary and requested by the Sextons.

" To adjourn this meeting two week from today at two oclock P.M.

March 19th 1883

The inhabitants met according to adjournment and

Voted " to take up the 2nd article of the warrant

" To excuse Fred E. Stafford from serving as Surveyor of Lumber and Measurer of Wood & Bark.

" to take up the 11th article of the warrant.

Voted That Highway Surveyors and those under their charge be allowed as follows For a man fifteen cents per hour for a yoke of Oxen twenty cents per hour for a Horse and Cart twenty cents per hour, for two Horses and a Cart thirty cents per hour and for a Plow Ox-shovel & Ox-Cart each five cents per hour while used on the Highways.

" To take up the 9th article of the warrant.

" To raise two hundred dollars ($200) in addition to the twenty three hundred dollars ($2300) voted March 5th to defray town charges.

" To resume the 11th article

" To reconsider that part of a vote passed March 5th wherein Highway Surveyors were directed to cause their proportion of money to be expended before the first day of October.

" That three fourths of the money be expended before the first day of July and the remainder before the first day of September next,

" To take up the 24th article of the warrant

" To accept and adopt the following code of By laws presented by the School Committee in regard to truants

March 18 A.D. 1883

By-laws

The town of Boxford hereby avails itself of the several provisions of the statutes of this Commonwealth now in force relating to habitual truants, and absentees from school, and in pursuance of authority conferred thereby adopts the following By-laws

By laws in regard to truants

Art. 1st Habitual truants and children between seven and fifteen years of age, who may be found wandering about the streets or public places in this town, having no lawful occupation or business, not attending school and growing up in ignorance, shall, upon conviction of said offences before a court or justice having jurisdiction of the same, be committed to the Lawrence Industrial School or to any other suitable place, provided by the town and approved by the court or judge having authority to approve by-laws concerning such children, for confinement, instruction and discipline for such time not exceeding one year, as such court or justice having jurisdiction may determine. These by-laws shall be in force upon and after their approval by the proper court or judge.

Art. 2nd Two truant officers shall be appointed annually by the School Committee, whose duty it shall be to enquire into all violations of the truant laws and of all the laws relating to compulsory education, and to do all the acts required of them by the laws of the Commonwealth.

Art. 3rd It shall be the duty of each truant officer, prior to making any complaint under these laws, to notify the truant or absentee from school also his parent or guardian of the offence committed and of the penalty therefor, and if the truant officer can obtain satisfactory pledges for the restraint and reformation of the child, he may forbear to prosecute so long as such pledges are faithfully kept.

Art. 4th It shall be the duty of the School Committee, the teachers of the public schools, and the citizens generally, to aid the truant officers as far as possible in the discharge of their duty.

Art. 5th It shall be the duty of the truant officers to keep a full record of all their official acts, and make an annual report thereof to the School Committee who shall publish the same with their own report.

Art. 6th Nothing in these rules shall be so construed as to alter or impair the obligation and duty of teachers to enforce punctuality and regularity of attendance and to preserve good order and discipline.

Art. 7th Pupils between eight and fifteen years of age shall not be dismissed before the close of the daily session except in case of illness, without a written request from a parent or guardian and such request shall be kept by the teacher till the close of the term unless sooner called for by the School Committee.

Art. 8th Any person who shall cut deface or otherwise injure the school building, or its furniture or injure any fences trees or out-buildings, or shall write any profane, or obscene language or make any obscene pictures or characters on the premises belonging to the public schools in Boxford - shall be prosecuted to the full extent of the law - and if done by a pupil, the teacher shall be required to ascertain if possible, by whom the injury was done and report the same to the School Committee.

Art 9th The carrying or handling of firearms or gunpowder percussion caps, fireworks or toy pistols by any person or pupil of the schools, shall not be allowed in or about the school buildings, or on the grounds pertaining thereto, if done by a pupil, the teacher shall be required to report the same as in the preceding article.

Respectfully submitted to the people of Boxford

James H. Webster } School
[illegible] } Committee

Voted That the School Committee present these by-laws to the Judge of Probate for approval -

" That a sufficient number of copies of these Bylaws be printed to supply each family in town with a copy.

" To abate the poll tax set to Edward H. French in Collector's Rate list of 1881

" To dissolve the Meeting Attest. Aneill Dorman
Town Clerk

1883
Nov 6,
State
Election

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified as by the Constitution required to vote in elections, held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said town on Tuesday the sixth day of November in the year One thousand eight hundred and eighty three for the purpose of giving in their votes for a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Councillor for fifth Essex District, Secretary of the Commonwealth, ~~Attorney General~~, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor of the Commonwealth, Attorney General, Senator fifth Essex District, Representative in General Court fifteenth Essex District - District Attorney Eastern District, Commissioners of Insolvency, Register of Probate and Insolvency, Sheriff for County of Essex, One County Commissioner and two Special Commissioners for Essex County

All on one ballot

The polls were opened at fifteen minutes past ten o'clock and closed at fifteen minutes past two, agreeably to vote of the town

The ballots were all sorted, counted and recorded and public declaration made thereof in open meeting as the law directs and were for the following persons viz:

For Governor of the Commonwealth

George D. Robinson of Chicopee, one hundred and twenty three
Benjamin F. Butler of Lowell Fifty six

For Lieutenant Governor

Oliver Ames of Easton one hundred and twenty three
James S. Grinnell of Greenfield Fifty eight

1883
Nov 6
State
Election

For Secretary of the Commonwealth

Henry B. Pierce of Abington One hundred & twenty five
Charles Marsh of Springfield Fifty six

For Treasurer and Receiver General

Daniel A. Gleason of Medford One hundred & twenty six
Charles H. Ingalls of North Adams Fifty six

For Auditor

Charles K. Leadd of Springfield One hundred & twenty five
John Hopkins of Millbury Fifty six

For Attorney General

Edgar J. Sherman of Lawrence One hundred & twenty four
John W. Cummings of Fall River. Fifty six

For Councillor. Fifth District

Edward H. Tarbell of Gloucester One hundred & twenty five
Robert Parr of Gloucester Fifty six

For Sheriff

Horatio G. Herrick of Lawrence One hundred & twenty three
Lemuel Day of Haverhill Fifty three

For County Commissioner

Zachariah Graves of Lynn One hundred & twenty five
George F. Le Colley of Newburyport Fifty six

1883

For Special Commissioners

Aaron Sawyer of Amesbury one hundred & twenty five
Orlando B. Tenney of Georgetown one hundred & twenty four
Daniel B. Lord of Salem Fifty six
Thomas Keville of Salisbury Fifty six

For Register of Probate and Insolvency

Jeremiah T. Mahoney of Salem. one hundred and eighty ~~two~~ one

For Commissioners of Insolvency

William L. Thompson of Lawrence, One hundred & twenty five
Nathaniel J. Holden of Salem, one hundred & twenty five
Warren Tilton of Haverhill One hundred & twenty five
John J. Flaherty of Gloucester Fifty six
Frank G. Richardson of Essex Fifty six
William F. Moyes of Lawrence Fifty six

For District attorney

Henry P. Moulton of Salem One hundred & seventeen
Henry F. Hurlburt of Lynn Sixty four

Senator Fifth Essex District

Charles B. Emerson of Bradford, One hundred and twenty one
Edwin Bowley of Haverhill Sixty

For Representative to General Court 15th Essex District
Frederick Wilcomb of Ipswich, One hundred & twenty two
Edward Dole of Ipswich. Fifty nine

Meeting dissolved. Attest Aneill Dorman
Town Clerk

1883
Nov 7.

At a meeting of the town clerks of the towns of Ipswich Rowley and Boxford held at the office of the Town clerk of Ipswich on Wednesday the 7th day of November 1883 for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the vote cast the 6th instant for a Representative to the next General Court in the Fifteenth Essex District the result in each town as presented by the clerks thereof was as follows;

In Ipswich

Frederick Willcomb of Ipswich 387 - Edward Dole of Ipswich 367
Phillip Clark 1 - Jonathan Sargent 1. George W. Ellis 1

In Rowley

Frederick Willcom of Ipswich 136 - Edward Dole of Ipswich 135

In Boxford

Frederick Willcomb of Ipswich 122 - Edward Dole of Ipswich 59
645 561

Showing that Frederick Willcomb was chosen representative by a plurality of eighty four votes and certificates of his election were made out accordingly -

Attest

Ariell Dorman Town Clerk

Boxford, Oct 8 1884

By Ancil Gilman Selectman.

PERMISSION IS HEREBY GIVEN

To C. W. Howe

To Fish in BALDPATE, FOUR MILE, and STILES' Ponds, in Boxford, subject to the following Rules and Regulations required by the Commissioners on Inland Fisheries in Massachusetts.

Fishing will be allowed to inhabitants of Boxford, *ONLY*, on SATURDAY, of each week, from the First day of May till the First day of December of each year, until further notice, from Sunrise to Sunset.

This Permit shall not be transferred out of the family of the holder thereof, and does not authorize more than one member of a family to fish at the same time,

All Black Bass under one pound in weight, and all Pickerel under ten inches in length are to be returned to the water alive.

No set lines, nets, or traps of any description shall be used in taking fish from these ponds. All fishing is to be done ONLY by a naturally or artificially baited hook and hand line.

Every holder of a Permit shall, on or before the twentieth day of November in each year, make return to the Selectmen of the number, estimated weight, and species of fish taken under this Permit.

Any person failing to conform to these Regulations and make the required returns, will be liable for such neglect and forfeit his Permit and the right to fish for one year.

Nothing in these Regulations shall be construed as giving any right to take fish when prohibited by law.

SPECIES.	NUMBER.	WEIGHT.
Black Bass.	.....	.....
Perch.	.....	.....
White Perch.	.....	.....
Pickerel.	.....	.....
Other Fish.	.....	.....

Name .....

1884 "A legal meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boxford qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said town on Monday the third day of March A.D. 1884" the said inhabitants —

Chose John K. Cole Moderator
" Aneill Dorman Town Clerk

The clerk was sworn in open meeting By B. G. Barnes Justice of the Peace

Chose Aneill Dorman } Selectmen
J. Warren Chadwick } Assessors and
James H. Nason } Overseers of the Poor

Chose Albert H. Towne } Constables
Charles R. Anderson }

" Edward E. Pearl Treasurer

Voted To appoint the Treasurer Collector of taxes

Voted To choose two Field Drivers in each Parish
Chose Daniel Bixby - Wm M. Andrews
James H. Webster - Edward E Pearl

Voted To add two more in the West Parish
Chose George Wright - Oliver P. Killam

Chose F. A Howe - Alden Stafford Pound Keepers

Chose Chester Killam } Surveyors of Highways
Geo B. Killam
Daniel L Reynolds
J. Thomas Twisden
John R Webster
Oliver P. Killam
B. F. Barnes
Henry Perley
James H. Nason
Peter Strout

George Wright
Geo W. Chadwick
John K Cole
F. A Howe
Francis Marden
George Doherty
Samuel Dias
John M. Pearl
Geo W. Twitchell

Chose Asa P. Howe, Israel Herrick, Stephen A Bixby, John Parkhurst, H. W. Howe — Surveyors of Lumber

Andrew Frame, Rufus W. Emerson, C. R. Anderson, John Pearl, Frank Day

Chose Stephen A Bixby, Charles Gardner, H. W. Howe, H. F. Barnes, Marshal P. Whittier — Measurers of Wood & Bark

Wm K. Cole, Rufus W Emerson, John M. Pearl, James H. Nason, Israel F. Spofford

Chose Israel Herrick, John K. Cole, J. Warren Chadwick — Fence Viewers

Voted Not to choose Tythingmen

Chose Sidney Perley, Warren M. Cole — Auditors

Voted To direct the Auditors to print the Town warrant in their next Report.

Chose John Pickels Sealer of Weights & Measures

Chose Wm K. Cole School Committee for three years

Voted That the School Committee be instructed to appoint a Superintendent of Schools

Voted That the School Committee be requested not to pay more than one hundred dollars for Superintendent's salary.

Voted To accept the Report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Posts and Boards.

Voted To accept the Report of the Committee on School Funds

1884

Voted That the Selectmen bring in all their bills for services to the town for allowance - and that all other bills be presented to the Selectmen for allowance.

Voted for Schools To raise twelve hundred dollars $1200, for support of Schools the ensuing year.

Voted To raise two thousand dollars $2000. to defray the current expenses of the town the ensuing year.

Voted To raise one thousand dollars $1000., for repairs and amendments of Highways the ensuing year.

Voted That the Selectmen apportion the money to the several Surveyors and that said surveyors be directed to expend three fourths of the money assigned them before the first day of July next, and the remainder before the first day of September. and that they allow for a man fifteen cents per hour - for a Yoke of Oxen twenty cents per hour for a Horse and cart twenty cents per hour - for two horses and a cart thirty cents per hour and for a Plow, Ox sled and Ox cart, each five cents per hour while used on the Highways.

Voted That Highway Surveyors be directed not to expend more than the amount assigned them without authority from the Selectmen.

Voted That the manner of breaking out the roads when encumbered with snow be left to the discretion of the surveyors and that they shall allow for a man and a pair of oxen, each twenty cents per hour - and for a pair of Horses thirty cents per hour -

Voted That the taxes be committed to the Collector on or before the first day of August next - and that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first day of September - and two per cent on all paid before the first day of October, and that all taxes shall be collected before the first day of January 1885.

Voted That the Schools be supplied with fuel from the town farm to be paid for from the Town Treasury.

1884

Voted To choose a Committee of three to have supervision of three Ponds leased and stocked by the town, and that they be opened for fishing to the inhabitants of the town as soon as conveniently and legally may be done.

Voted That the Selectmen be this Committee

Voted To allow the following bills of charge

Geo. W. Chadwick for service as Chairman of the Selectmen Assessors & Overseers of the Poor the past year $94.00

" Cash paid for car fare $3.15 " " Justice fees 225 5.40

" " " " Printing $2.00 – Stationery $1.25 – Postage 1.07 4.32

$103.72

John Parkhurst for service as one of the Selectmen Assessors & Overseers of the Poor the past year $80.00

Charles Perley 2nd for service as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year $20.00

Solomon W. Howe to 3 pairs of Horses pathing snow 3½ hours à 90 cent per hour $3.15

Labor of 3 men 3½ hours à 20 2.10

approved by F. A. Howe Surveyor $5.25

Voted To accept the following list of jurors presented by the Selectmen

William P. Cleaveland	Roscoe K. Cole
Henry Perley	John S. Dias
Israel Herrick	George Wright
Andrew Frame	Charles Perley
Rufus W. Emerson	James H. Webster
Frank L. Parkhurst	Geo W. Chadwick
Stephen A. Bixby	Edward E. Pearl

Voted To accept the Revised Report of the Auditors 1883 (Printed)

" To accept the Report of the Auditors 1884 (Printed)

Voted That the Treasurer be authorised to hire such amount of money as may be necessary for the payment of the demands upon him in anticipation of the taxes of the ensuing year, and payable therefrom

1884

Voted To rescind the vote passed March 19. 1883 requiring the School Committee to present certain By laws to the Judge of Probate for approval

" That the By laws in regard to truants be adopted when approved by proper authority

On the question "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?" Voted, Yeas 1 - Nays 54.

Voted To pass over the 22nd article in regard to instructing the School Committee concerning repairs on School houses.

Voted To leave it with the School Committee to make such repairs as may be necessary on the fences around the School-houses -

Voted That the School Committee be directed to purchase one, and if they think it necessary, two of Jewett & Cos Globes for the use of the Schools

Voted That the matter of allowing a well to be dug on the public way near School-house No 4. be referred to the Selectmen.

Voted That the Selectmen be instructed to get the Almshouse buildings insured for 5. years

Voted To pass over the 27th article relative to planting shade trees on the highways

Voted To dissolve the Meeting

A true record of proceedings

attest

Sneill Dorman

Town Clerk

1884

Aug 7

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Raynham qualified to vote in town affairs held in the Derby in the First Parish in said town on Thursday the seventh day of August A.D. 1884

Geo H. Chadwick was chosen Moderator.

Voted

That the money that may be refunded the present municipal year on account of Dog Licenses be appropriated for the support of the Public Schools

Voted

Avail Leonard Board Keeper in the First Parish for the remainder of the present Municipal year in place of B.F. Howe who refused to serve.

Voted

That the three ponds leased by the town viz: Bald Pate Town Mill and Stiles ponds be opened for fishing as soon as may be to inhabitants and actual residents of the town on Saturday of each week.

Voted

To direct the Selectmen to post notices forthwith forbidding all fishing in said ponds contrary to law and to prosecute all offenders

Voted

To dissolve the meeting

Attest

Avail Leonard Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified to vote in elections held in the Vestry in the first parish in said town on Tuesday the fourth day of November A.D. 1884 for the purpose of giving in their votes for the number of Electors of President and Vice President of the United States to which this Commonwealth is entitled, also for a Representative in Congress for District No 7. also for a Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary, Treasurer, Auditor, and Attorney General of the Commonwealth; for a Councillor for the Fifth District; for a Senator for the Fifth Essex District; for a Representative in General Court for the Fifteenth Essex District; and for one County Commissioner for the County of Essex. All on one ballot.

The polls will be opened at fifteen minutes past nine o'clock A.M. and may be closed at fifteen minutes past one o'clock P.M.

Before opening the polls the ballot box was publicly opened and shown to be empty and immediately locked up

The polls were closed at twenty minutes past two

Register indicated	162
Check list ..	162
Whole No ballots .	162

The ballots were all sorted counted and recorded and public declaration made thereof in open meeting as the law directs and were for the following persons Viz:

For Electors of President and Vice President of the United States

At Large Mark Hopkins of Williamstown.	One hundred and three
Thomas Talbot of Billerica	One hundred and three
Jonas H French of Gloucester	Forty eight
Reuben Noble of Westfield	Forty eight
Robert C Pitman of Newton	Three
Alonzo A Miner of Boston	Three
John F Baker of Beverly	Seven
Albion C Drinkwater of Braintree	Seven

Electors, District No 1.

Samuel Hardy of Lenox	One hundred and two
George Delano of New Bedford	Forty seven
Charles Almy of New Bedford	Three
Thomas B Chase of Harwich	Eight

District No 2

Sylvanus N Staples of Taunton	One hundred and three
Bushrod Morse of Sharon	Forty seven
Thomas L Leothrop of Taunton	Three
William L Douglass of Brockton	Eight

District No 3

Arthur W Tufts of Boston	One hundred and three
Francis A Peters of Boston	Forty seven
Eugene A Clapp of Boston	Three
James Sumner of Milton	Eight

District No 4.

Ebenezer M McPherson of Boston	One hundred and three
Hugh A. Madden of Boston	Forty seven
Israel H Crafton of Boston	Three
Dennis O'Reilly of Boston	Eight

District No 5.

Samuel A Montague of Cambridge	One hundred and three
Christopher T Rymes of Somerville	Forty seven
James H Roberts of Cambridge	Three
Gilman A Jones of Woburn	Eight

District	Electors	
No 6	Ezra A Stevens of Malden	One hundred and three
	Knowles Freeman of Chelsea	Forty seven
	George H Harwood of Lynn	Three
	Henry Hastings Jr of Medford	Eight
No 7	Daniel B Hagar of Salem	One hundred and three
	Charles K Thompson of Gloucester	Forty seven
	James H. Gregory of Marblehead	Three
	Harry H Hale of Bradford	Eight
No 8	Charles A Stott of Lowell	One hundred and three
	John C Chambers of Lawrence	Forty seven
	James H Fellows of Lowell	Three
	James H Carmichael of Lowell	Eight
No 9	Lucius G Pratt of Newton	One hundred and three
	James E Cotter of Hyde Park	Forty seven
	Clarence P Travis of Natick	Three
	Patrick J Conway of Marlboro	Eight
No 10	Philip L Moen of Worcester	One hundred and three
	Waldo Lincoln of Worcester	Forty seven
	Charles Heritage of Warren	Three
	John Flint of Webster	Eight

District
No 11 Eli A. Blackmar of Gardner One hundred and three
Festus C. Currier of Fitchburg Forty Seven
Benjamin Snow of Fitchburg Three
William O. Crocker of Montague Eight

No 12 William A. Shurtleff of Springfield One hundred and three
Elisha B. Maynard of Springfield Forty Seven
John Blackmer of Springfield Three
William H. E. Nelson of Springfield Eight

For Representative to Congress 7th Mass District
Eben F. Stone of Newburyport One hundred & four
Richard A. Spofford of Salisbury Forty eight
John C. Baker of Beverly Ten

For Governor of the Commonwealth
George D. Robinson of Chicopee One hundred and three
William E. Cornell of Salem Forty Six
Julius H. Seelye of Amherst Nine
Matthew F. McCafferty of Lowell Seven

For Lieutenant Governor
Oliver Ames of Easton One hundred and four
James A. Grinnell of Greenfield Forty Six
Henry H. Taxon of Quincy Four
Albert R. Rice of Springfield Seven

For Secretary of the Commonwealth

Henry B Pierce of Lexington	One hundred and seven
Jeremiah Crowley of Lowell	Forty six
George Kempton of Sharon	Three
John P Sweeney of Lawrence	Five

Treasurer and Receiver General

Daniel A Gleason of Medford	One hundred and five
Charles Marsh of Springfield	Forty six
Charles B Knight of Worcester	Three
Nathaniel J Cushing of Hinsdale	Seven

For Auditor

Charles A Lord of Springfield	One hundred and five
John Hopkins of Millbury	Forty six
William W Sherman of Lowell	Three
Israel W Andrews of Danvers	Seven

For Attorney General

Edgar J. Sherman of Lawrence	One hundred and seven
John W Cummings of Fall River	Forty six
Clement M Fairfield of Malden	Three
Thomas V Clarke of Boston	Five

Councillor 5th District

Edward Parker of Lowell	One hundred and eleven
Robert Carr of Lowell	Forty five
Edward F Hennessey of Lynn	Five

Senator 5th Essex District

Charles A. Emerson of Groveland — One hundred and one

Calvin Lemon of Haverhill — Fifty four

Representative to General Court 15th Essex District

William A Stackpole of Ipswich — One hundred

Edward P. Kimball of Ipswich — Thirty nine

William P. Alcott of Boxford — Twenty two

County Commissioner

John W. Raymond of Beverly — One hundred and sixteen

John J. Chapman of Salem — Forty five

Meeting Dissolved

Attest

Ancill Dorman

Town Clerk.

At a meeting of the clerks of the towns of Ipswich Rowley and Boxford held at the Office of the Town Clerk of Ipswich Nov 5. 1884. for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the vote for Representative to General Court in the Fifteenth Essex District; the vote of each town as presented by the clerks thereof was as follows

In Ipswich William A Stackpole of Ipswich 488 - Edward P. Kimball of Ipswich 202

William P. Alcott of Boxford 11

In Rowley W.A. Stackpole 160, E.P. Kimball 95 - W.P. Alcott 5

In Boxford W.A. Stackpole 100 E.P. Kimball 39 W.P. Alcott 22

Showing that William A. Stackpole was elected Representative by a majority of one hundred and eighty six votes and certificates of his election were filled out and signed

Attest

Ancill Dorman

Town Clerk

1885 Annual March Meeting

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the Second Parish in said town on Monday the second day of March A.D. 1885 - then and there the said inhabitants

Chose J. Horace Nason - Moderator
" Ansell Dorman - Town Clerk

The clerk was sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of the office in open meeting by Sidney Perley Justice of the Peace

Chose George W. Chadwick, Charles Perley 2d, John Peckham } Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

Chose Coridon Perley, Charles R. Anderson } Constables

Chose Darien H. Cole Treasurer

Voted To appoint the Treasurer Collector of taxes

Voted To choose four Field Drivers in each parish

Chose Daniel Perley, Joseph C. James, Moody Perley, Jeremiah Rea — Field Drivers
William R. Cole, Edward E. Peal, Oliver P. Pillsbury, Walter T. Chadwick

Chose Henry Moulton, William R. Kimball } Pound Keeper

Chose Peter Pillsbury, George L. Greene, Daniel H. Cole, Stephen Perley, Horace Perley, William R. Cole, R. H. Barnes, Henry Perley, James Atkinson, Peter Stout — Fence Viewers
Israel H. Peppard, Charles Perley, John R. Cole, T. L. Howe, Francis Pingree, William R. Peabody, Samuel Peal, J. Wm. Chadwick, Geo. W. Littlefield — Hog Reeves

1885

Voted to choose ten surveyors of lumber

Chose Stephen A. Bixby — F. Lance Chase
Andrew Brame — John Neal
Rufus H. Emerson — Israel H. Stafford
Israel Herrick — David de Reynolds
John Larkhurst — Albert T. Perry

(surveyors of lumber)

Voted to choose ten measurers of wood and bark

Chose Stephen A. Bixby — John M. Pearl
Israel Herrick — Hiram H. Tole
John Osborn — William R. Tole
John Larkhurst — Charles Perley
Rufus H. Emerson — George A. Hartman

Chose John R. Tole, Charles Perley, William R. Tenney } fence viewers

Chose Samuel F. Dodge, F. Lance Chase } auditors

Voted That the selectmen furnish a copy of the warrant to be printed in the auditors report

Chose John Osborn sealer of weights and measures

Chose [illegible] committee for three years

Voted That the school committee be instructed to have a superintendent of schools at a salary of one hundred dollars

Voted That a guide post be erected at Sherman corner (so called) on the road by Hill, with arms pointing Franklin, Millville, Oxford, etc.

Voted to accept the report on guide posts

1885

Voted To accept the Report of the town [illegible] on School Funds

Voted That the Selectmen bring in their bills for service to the town for allowance the ensuing year. and that all other bills be presented to the Selectmen for allowance

Voted To take up the 24th Article of the warrant

Voted. That the money refunded on account of Dog licenses be divided equally between the two Public Libraries.

Voted To raise fifteen hundred dollars $1500 for the support of Schools and that two hundred dollars $200 thereof be expended for teaching music in the schools

Voted To raise two thousand eight hundred dollars $2800, to pay the necessary charges and expenses of the town.

Voted To take up the 27th article of the warrant It was not a vote to purchase a road machine

Voted To raise one thousand and fifty dollars $1050 for repairs of highways and two hundred dollars in addition to be used at the direction of the Selectmen

Voted That the Selectmen apportion the money to the several Surveyors and that said Surveyors be directed to expend three fourths of the money assigned them on or before the first day of July next and the remainder before the first day of September and that they allow for a man fifteen cents per hour. for a team of two horses twenty cents per hour. for a Horse and Cart twenty cents per hour. for two Horses and a Cart thirty cents per hour and for a team of Ox-shoved and a cart four cents per hour while used on the highways

Voted That the [illegible] of Surveyors of the roads [illegible] be left to the discretion of the Surveyors and that they shall allow for a man [illegible]

and for a horse of men each twenty cents per hour, and for a team of horses thirty cents per hour.

Voted That the taxes be committed to the Collector on or before the first day of August next, and that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first day of September, and two per cent on all paid before the first day of October, and that all taxes shall be collected before the first day of January 1886.

Voted That fuel for the Town schools be furnished from the Town farm and paid for from the Town treasury.

Voted To take up the 26th article of the warrant

Voted [illegible] for first action taken under the [illegible]

Voted To choose a Committee of three to take into consideration the matter of celebrating the two hundred anniversary year of the incorporation of the town and report at an adjournment of this meeting.

Chose Sidney Perry, [illegible] Tompkins, Gardner S. Morse } Committee on Celebration

Voted That the committee have power to add others to their number by appointment.

On the question shall licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors be granted in the town it was

Voted. Yes eighty, No, thirty seven

Voted That the matter of regulating fishing in our inland ponds be left to the Selectmen

Voted To allow the following bills of charge against Farmer for keeping of Pauper on the Town expenses and [illegible] of the poor the past year $ 93.46

[illegible] Farm 21.26

[illegible] for bath .25

Telegraphing, postage and Express 1.21

$ 115.19

Voted to take measures to lower the Park observance of the Bicentennial year of the incorporation of the Town

J. Warren Chadwick for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year $50.00

James H Chison for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year $40.00

Charles R Anderson for notifying town meeting $2.00

James C. Cleveland for damage to pleasure vehicle in use on the Highway in 1883. $5.00

Voted to accept the following list of persons presented by the Selectmen as suitable for jurors

William P. Cleveland	William H. Cole
Henry Darby	John H. Davis
Israel Farrish	Israel W. Hafford
Andrew Greene	Charles Hayden
Rufus W. Emerson	Marshall P. Whittier
Frank G. Northwood	David M. Cole
Stephen C. Bixby	George W. Harriman

Voted to accept the Report of the Auditors

Voted that the Treasurer be authorized to hire such amount of money as may be necessary for the payment of the demands upon him in anticipation of the taxes of the current year and payable therefrom

Voted to pass over the 10th article of the warrant in regard to Tremont

Voted to take the matter of removing a portion of the dirt in the Highway near the house of Thomas and Hamilton to the discretion of the Selectmen with instructions to sell and deliver the same to the lowest bidder.

Voted to pass over the 2nd & 3rd articles of the warrant, in regard to culverts and removing all trees and bushes from the highways and [illegible]

1885

Voted To authorize the Overseers of the Poor to contract for permanent support any person having no legal settlement if they think it best for the interest of the town so to do.

Voted To adjourn this meeting to the first Monday in April next at 2 o'clock P.M.

Attest

Amasa Dorman, Town Clerk

April 6. 1885. The inhabitants of the town met according to adjournment and the 26th article of the warrant being under consideration, Sidney Perley Esq in behalf of the committee on celebrating the 200th anniversary of the town made a verbal report suggesting two modes of celebrating, one requiring an appropriation of about $300, and the other $150. – after hearing this report it was Voted to pass over the 26th article in regard to a celebration

Voted The thanks of the town to the committee for their services in looking up and reporting the matt.

Voted That this committee be discharged from further service.

It was Voted to take up the 8th article of the warrant in regard to raising money for support of schools, but a motion to reconsider a vote passed the 2nd ultimo whereby $1500. was raised for the support of schools was lost, not receiving a majority of votes.

Voted To take up the 2nd article of the warrant

Then John R. Webster surveyor of highways in place of Lewis Berry who declined to serve

Then John H. Cass Field Driver in place of Moody Perley who declined to serve.

Voted To dissolve the meeting

Attest

Amasa Dorman

Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified to vote in elections held in the Vestry in the second Parish in said town on Tuesday the third day of November A.D. 1855 to give in their votes on the following Article of Amendment of the Constitution viz. The General Court shall have full and authority to provide for the inhabitants of the town in this Commonwealth more than one place of public meeting within the limits of each town for the election of officers under the constitution and to prescribe the manner of calling, holding and conducting such meetings. All the provisions of the existing constitution inconsistent with the power herein contained are hereby cancelled. Yes or No. Also for Governor Lieutenant Governor Councellor Secretary of the Commonwealth, Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor of the Commonwealth Attorney General – Senator 5th Essex District. Clerk of the Courts Treasurer for Essex County Register of Deeds for the Southern District of Essex County Commissioner Representative in General Court 11th Essex District All on one ballot.

The polls will be open at ten o'clock A.M. and may be closed at two o'clock P.M.

Before opening the polls the Ballot Box was publicly opened and shown to be empty and then closed and locked and the key given to Constable Thomas Gidney.

The Warden was

The polls were closed at twelve minutes past two

Register indicated	eighty one	(81)
Check list	eighty one	(81)
No ballots	eighty one	81

The ballots were all sorted counted and recorded and public declaration made thereof in open meeting as the law directs and were as follows

Amendment of the Constitution Yes [illegible]

For Governor of the Commonwealth

George F. Robinson of Chicopee 63 ~~Rep~~ sixty three votes
Frederick P. Pierce of Boston 16 sixteen
Charles Lodge Russell of Cambridge 1 one
Thomas J. Leathrop of Taunton 1 one

For Lieutenant Governor

Oliver Ames of Easton 63 sixty three
Henry H. Gilmore of Cambridge 16 sixteen
Charles B. Knight Worcester 1 one
Charles R. Coleman of Boston 1 one

For Councillor 5th District

Frank H. Allen of Lynn 62 sixty two
Alfred A. Mower of Lynn 18 eighteen

For Secretary of the Commonwealth

Henry B. Pierce of Abington 64 sixty four
Jeremiah Crowley of Lowell 16 sixteen
George Hampton of Harvard 1 one

For Treasurer and Receiver General

Hanson W. Bevin of Boston 62 sixty two
Henry A. Wood of Newburyport 18 eighteen

For Auditor

Charles A. Gale of Springfield 64 sixty four
James E. Delaney of Holyoke 16 sixteen
William H. Merriam of Lowell 1 one

For Attorney General

Edgar J. Sherman of Lawrence 64 sixty four
Henry K. Braley of Fall River 16 sixteen
Samuel H. Fairfield of Malden 1 one

For Clerk of Courts

Frank Lodge of Lynn 64 sixty four
David A. Kimball of Salem 16 sixteen

For County Treasurer
E. Kendall Jenkins of Andover 64 sixty four
Benjamin A. Ward of Lynn 16 sixteen

For Register of Deeds Southern District of Essex
Charles P. Osgood of Salem 80 eighty

For County Commissioner
Edward B. Bishop of Haverhill 62 sixty four
John H. Thayer of Manchester 16 sixteen

For Senator Fifth Essex District
Charles R. Emerson of Bradford 62 sixty two
Calvin Dumon of Haverhill 18 eighteen
William T. Mott of Rowley 1 one

For Representative Eighteenth Essex District
William C. Stackpole of Ipswich 62 sixty two
Edward Cole of Ipswich 18 eighteen
Edward H. Briggs of Ipswich 1 one

Voted to dissolve the meeting

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Topsfield qualified to vote in town affairs held in the vestry in the second parish in Topsfield on Tuesday the third day of November A.D. 1885

B. F. Barnes was chosen Moderator.

Voted To choose a committee of two, and that they be authorized to employ legal counsel and sue if necessary for the collection of a bill against the town of Georgetown for aid furnished Albert Nelson during the last twelve months

Voted That the Selectmen be authorized to draw money for grand. of Sarah Fox keeper today of the Church yard so to do.

Voted to dissolve the meeting attest Lewis Dorman
Town Clerk

At a meeting of the clerks of the towns of Ipswich Rowley and Boxford held at the office of the town clerk of Ipswich November 4. 1885 for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the vote for Representative to General Court in the 15th Essex District the vote of each town as presented by the clerks thereof were as follows:

In Ipswich

William A Attachpole of	Ipswich	270
Edward Dole "	"	204
Edward H Briggs "	"	5

In Rowley

William A Attachpole of	Ipswich	77
Edward Dole "	"	62
Edward H Briggs "	"	7

In Boxford

William A Attachpole of	Ipswich	62
Edward Dole "	"	18
Edward H Briggs "	"	1

And it was ascertained that William A Attachpole was elected by a plurality of twenty nine votes and certificates of his election were filled out and signed

Attest

Francis Dennison

Town Clerk

Boxford Dec 1885

I hereby certify that I have authorized the marked cost at the last November State election

Francis Dennison Town Clerk

Annual Meeting 1886

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Hanford qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said town on Monday the first day of March A.D. 1886 then and there the said inhabitants

Chose James S. Cleveland Moderator
" Lyell Dorman Town Clerk

The Clerk was sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of the office in open meeting by Sidney Perley Justice of the Peace

Chose John Parkhurst, George W. Chadwick, William R. Cole — Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

Chose Elbridge Perley, Charles R. Anderson — Constables

Chose Warren M. Cole Treasurer

Voted To appoint the Treasurer Collector of Taxes

Chose Daniel Bixby — Arthur L. Russell
Joseph H. James — Jeremiah Rea
Edward E. Pearl — Charles Perley
Oliver S. Killam — John M. Pearl
Fence Viewers

Chose Henry Moulton — Wm R. Kimball — Pound Keepers

Chose James S. Cleveland — George W. Curtis
David M. Cole — Stephen A. Bixby
John W. Parkhurst — Oliver S. Killam
E. S. Barnes — William T. Perley
Peter Morout — H. M. Spofford
Henry Perley — Hiram L. Thomas
George W. Chadwick — Israel Harrich
Frederick A. How — Reginald D. Foster
Gardner A. Morse — George W. Mitchell
George B. Winston —
Surveyors of Highways

1856

Chose Stephen A. Bixby, George S. Frame, Surveyors
Rufus W. Emerson, Israel Herrick,
John Parkhurst, Horace Tason, of
John Reed, Israel H. Spofford,
Daniel L. Reynolds, Albert A. Hovey, Lumber

Chose Stephen A. Bixby, Israel Herrick, Measurers
Chester Pillsbury, John Parkhurst,
Rufus W. Emerson, John A. Reed, of
Warren A. Cole, William H. Cole,
Horace Tason, George A. Harriman, Wood & Bark

Chose John H. Cole
B. A. Barnes, Fence Viewers
Wm R. Trimbell

Chose Hannah F. Peabody
Gardner W. Rose, Auditors

Chose Charles Berley 2nd Sealer of Weights and Measures

Chose William S. Cleveland School Committee for three years

Voted That the School Committee be instructed to choose a Superintendent of Schools at a salary of one hundred dollars

Voted To take up the 16th article of the warrant

Voted Not to allow a bill presented by Sarah S. and Lucy A. Seeley for damage to their land on the Depot road.

Voted To refer the foregoing bill to the selectmen for settlement

Voted That the selectmen present their bills for service to the town for allowance and that all other bills be presented to the selectmen for allowance

1886

Voted To raise fourteen hundred dollars now for the support of schools and that two hundred dollars of said sum be appropriated for teaching Music in the Schools

Voted To raise two thousand five hundred dollars $2500, to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the town the ensuing year

Voted To raise one thousand dollars for the repairs of Highways and Bridges the ensuing year.

Voted That the Selectmen apportion the money to the several Surveyors and that ~~they~~ said Surveyors be directed to expend three fourths of the money assigned them before the first day of July next and the remainder before the first day of September and that they allow for a man fifteen cents per hour for a yoke of oxen twenty cents per hour for a horse and cart twenty cents per hour. for two horses and a cart thirty cents per hour. and for a plow Cx shovel and Ox cart. each five cents per hour while used on the highways.

Voted That the manner of working out the money when incumbered with snow and the amount to be done in the way of removing with snow the spots in the road be left to the direction of the Surveyors and that they shall allow for a man under a yoke of men each twenty cents per hour and for a pair of horses thirty cents per hour.

Voted That the taxes be committed to the Collector on or before the first day of September next. and that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first day of October

Bond two per cent on all paid before the first day of November, and that all taxes shall be collected before the first day of January 1887.

Voted that the schools be supplied with wood from the town farm same as last year to be paid for from the town treasury.

Voted to leave to the Selectmen the matter of regulating fishing in our tidal bounds.

Voted to allow the following bills of charge

Geo. W. Chadwick for services as Chairman of the Selectmen assessors and overseers of the poor the past year $98.00

Transportation of town boxes 4.00

Cash paid for stationery 1.59

" " postage .79

" " expressage .25

" " tax bills 1.77

" " Justices bills 1.00

$115.42

John Lockhart for services as one of the Selectmen assessors and overseers of the poor the past year $83.00

Voted to accept the following list of persons of persons presented by the Selectmen as jurors

Lemuel Merrick	William Cole
Henry Bailey	Lemuel H. Pfaffard
Stephen A. Bailey	Charles Fuller
Joseph A. Fish	Walter S. Chadwick
Lincoln Pitman	George H. Sanborn
John H. Lockhart	David M. Cole
Nathaniel H. Crane	George A. Harriman

Voted to release the selectmen from further duty

Voted to accept the Report of the Auditors

1886

Voted to authorize the Treasurer to loan such amount of money as may be necessary for the payment of demands upon him in anticipation of the taxes of the ensuing year and payable therefrom

On the question "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town
Voted Yes none - No. twenty nine

Voted to accept the report of the committee chosen to investigate in regard to the settlement of Albert Nelson (said Committee reporting that said Nelson had doubtless gained a settlement in Boxford)

Voted that the Selectmen be directed to take measures to collect the expense of Albert Nelson's support from such of his next of kin as are liable and able to pay

Voted to divide the money expended on account of dog licenses equally between the two Public Libraries in the town.

(Not enough to purchase a Road Machine)

Voted to allow E. G. Morper twenty dollars the ensuing year to expend on the pathway from his house to the highway near the house of Andrew Frame.

Voted to abate a tax of $1.10 set to Wm Kennedy assessed in tax list of 1885. Also a tax of $1.20 set to William H. Anderson in said list.

Voted to dissolve the meeting

Attest

Ancil Dorman

Town Clerk

1896

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Bonford qualified to vote in town affairs held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said town on Monday the Fourth day of October A.D. 1896

James T. Cleveland was chosen Moderator.

Voted That the Selectmen be authorized and directed to make such repairs as they deem necessary and proper on the highway leading from the house of the late Lawrence Carey by the houses of James H. Mason and John Pearl to the school-house near the house of David M. Cole, at an expense not exceeding three hundred dollars.

Chose Edward E. Pearl Auditor in place of Gardner H. Morse who declined to serve.

Voted To dissolve the meeting

Attest, Lucill Dorman
Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford qualified to vote in elections held in the Vestry in the First Parish in said town on Tuesday the second day of November A.D. 1886 to give in their votes for Representative in Congress 7th Congressional District, Governor, Lieutenant Governor Counsellor 5th District, Secretary of the Commonwealth Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor of the Commonwealth, Attorney General, Senator 5th Essex District, Representative in General Court 7th Essex District, District Attorney Eastern District, Commissioners of Insolvency, Clerk of the Courts Sheriff, County Commissioner and two Special Commissioners, All on One Ballot

Before opening the polls the ballot box was opened and shown to be empty, and then closed and locked and the key given to Constable Elbridge Perley.

The Polls were opened at 7 minutes past ten

The register set at

The Polls were closed at 7 minutes past two

Register indicated	116
Check list	116
Ballots	116

The ballots were all sorted counted and recorded and public declaration made thereof in open meeting as the law directs and were as follows

For Representative to Congress Seventh Congressional District.

William Goggswell of Salem	Eighty Votes
Jonas H French of Gloucester	twenty three
Willard Spaulding of Peabody	[illegible]

For Governor of the Commonwealth

79	Oliver Ames of Easton	Seventy nine
28	John A. Andrew of Boston	Twenty eight
1	Thomas J. Gotheop of Taunton	Nine

For Lieutenant Governor

86	John Q. A. Brackett of Boston	Eighty six
21	Frank A. Foster of Haverhill	Twenty one
6	John Blackmer of Springfield	Six

For Secretary of the Commonwealth

87	Henry B. Pierce of Abington	Eighty seven
22	John H. Thayer of Worcester	Twenty two
7	George Hampton of Sharon	Seven

For Treasurer and Receiver General

85	Alanson W. Beard of Boston	Eighty five
22	Lewis Warner of Northampton	Twenty two
7	John G. Wilson of Lee	Seven

For Auditor

87	Charles R. Ladd of Springfield	Eighty seven
1	Nathan T. Cash of Springfield	Twenty two
7	William McKinnon of Lowell	Seven

For Attorney General

86	Ebenezer J. Sherman of Lawrence	Eighty six
22	John W. Corcoran of Boston	Twenty two
8	Samuel M. Quincy of Malden	Eight

For Councillor Fifth District

5	Frank L Allen of Lynn	Eighty seven
22	Nathan R Morse of Salem	Twenty two
7	Ezra Woodbury of Salem	Seven

For District Attorney

53	William H Moody of Haverhill	Fifty three
63	Henry F Hurlburt of Lynn	Sixty three

For County Commissioner

86	David W Low of Gloucester	Eighty six
22	George J. Le Tolley of Newburyport	Twenty two
7	Daniel W. Fowle of Manchester	Seven

For Special Commissioners

87	Aaron Plummer of Amesbury	Eighty seven
87	Irving Emerson of Newburyport	Eighty seven
22	Daniel B. Ford of Salem	Twenty two
22	Mark Newell of Rowley	Twenty two
7	Zachariah Tole of Wenham	Seven
7	James B Gifford of Salem	Seven

For Sheriff

107	Horatio G. Merrick of Lawrence	one hundred and seven
4	John Breen of Lawrence	Four
4	William B Morgan of Danvers	Four

For Clerk of Courts

84	Leon Lockey of Lynn	Eighty eight
22	Leonard A Putnam of Salem	Twenty two
2	Charles H. Mann of Methuen	Two

For Commissioner of Insolvency

87	Amos S. Bartlett of Newburyport	Eighty seven
87	William G. Thompson of Lawrence	Eighty seven
87	Sherman Nelson of Georgetown	Eighty seven
22	John H. Flaherty of Gloucester	Twenty two
22	Charles A. Kent of Peabody	Twenty two
22	Frankl[illegible] Robinson of Essex	Twenty two
7	George H. Harrington of Lynn	Seven
7	Edward Walden of Danvers	Seven
7	Charles F. Bronson of Andover	Seven

For Senator Fifth Essex District

46	James W. Streitzer of Lynn	Forty six
59	Asa A. Newhall of Lynn	Fifty nine
10	William Abbott of Roxbury	Ten

For Representative to General Court 1st Essex District

86	Nathaniel E. Lovell of Groveland	Eighty six
22	Clarence A. Nelson of Groveland	Twenty two
7	Allen Hardy of Groveland	Seven

Voted to dissolve the meeting

Attest

Amos Tower

Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Clerks of the towns of Georgetown Groveland Topsfield and Boxford held at the office of the town clerk of Georgetown November 12th 1881 for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the vote for representative to General Court in the 7th Essex District the vote of said towns as presented by the clerks thereof was as follows

In Georgetown

Nathaniel E. Kidd of Groveland		401
Clarence A. Stetson	"	176
Allen Hardy	"	4

In Groveland

Nathaniel E. Kidd of Groveland		145
Clarence A. Stetson	"	22
Allen Hardy	"	4

In Topsfield

Nathaniel E. Kidd of Groveland		81
Clarence A. Stetson	"	47
Allen Hardy	"	1

In Boxford

Nathaniel E. Kidd of Groveland		64
Clarence A. Stetson	"	22
Allen Hardy	"	7

And it was ascertained that Nathaniel E. Kidd was elected by a plurality of sixty one votes and certificates of this election were filled out and signed.

Attest

David Dorman,

Town Clerk

Appointment of Town Clerk.

Whereas a vacancy exists in the Town Clerk's office in Boxford, caused by the death of the late Ancill Dorman, Esq., Therefore we, the subscribers, Selectmen of Boxford, in accordance with the provisions of the Public Statutes, hereby appoint Sidney Perley, Esq., to fill said office during the remainder of the current year.

Given under our hands at Boxford this twenty-second day of November, A. D. 1886.

Geo. W. Chadwick,
John Parkhurst,
William K. Cole,
} Selectmen of Boxford.

A true copy.
~~Attest~~: Sidney Perley,
Town Clerk pro tem.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Essex ss. November 23d, 1886. Then personally appeared Sidney Perley of Boxford and took the oath of office of town clerk,

Before me — William Perry,
Justice of the Peace

A true copy.
Attest: Sidney Perley,
Town Clerk pro tem.

Jan. 19th A.D. 1887.

This is to certify ~~that~~ I have this day destroyed the ballots cast and check list used at the State election held November 2d last, in the town of Boxford.

Sidney Perley,
Town Clerk pro tem.

Annual Meeting 1887.

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Bradford qualified to vote in elections & for town officers held in the vestry in the second parish in said town on Monday the 7th of March A.D. 1887 — the said inhabitants were called together by G. W. Chadwick and chose L. F. K. Cole Moderator
" B. F. Baird Town Clerk

The Clerk was sworn to the faithful discharge of the duties of the office in open meeting by James H. Webster Esq.

Chosen G. W. Chadwick, John Parkhurst, Stephen C. Bixby — Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

Chosen [illegible] Constables

Chosen Warren M. Cole Treasurer & collector

Chosen [illegible] Fence Viewers

Chosen Henry Hamilton (Hedge inspector) Pound Keeper

Chosen [illegible] Surveyors of Highways

Chose [illegible] } Surveyors of Highways.

Chose [illegible] } Inspectors of Wood and Bark.

Chose [illegible] } Surveyors of Lumber.

Chose [illegible] } Weigers [illegible]

Chose Samuel P. Peabody, Wm R. Kimball } Auditors.

Chose [illegible]

Chose, [illegible]

Voted to dispense with [illegible] of schools.

Voted that the school committee, the selectmen & one extra tithe shall be taught for the town. The extra tithe to be settled by the school committee.

Voted to raise $1400,00 for schools. It is left discretionary with the school committee whether they have one hundred and fifty or two hundred dollars of the money for teaching purposes.

Voted to raise twenty five hundred dollars for town charges.

Voted to raise one thousand dollars for highways; two hundred dollars of it to be left in the hands of the Selectmen to be used at their discretion.

Voted that the Selectmen apportion the money to the several surveyors and that the said surveyors be directed to expend three fourths of the money assigned them before the first day of July next and the remainder before the first day of September next. And that they allow for a man fifteen cents per hour, for a yoke of oxen twenty cents per hour, for a horse team twenty cents per hour, for two horses & cart thirty cents per hour, and for a plow, scraper & axe carts, each, fifty cents per hour while used on the highways.

Voted - That the manner of breaking out the roads when encumbered with snow and the amount to be done in the way of covering in the snow, bars spots in the roads be left to the discretion of the surveyors and that they shall allow for a man & for a yoke of oxen each twenty cents per hour and for a pair of horses thirty cents per hour.

Voted that the taxes be committed to the Collector on or before the first day of September next; And that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first day of October and two per cent on all paid before the first day of November and that all taxes shall be collected before the first day of January 1885.

1897 Voted that it shall be sufficient with hand [illegible] the town farm - some of [illegible] feed to be paid for out of the school money.

Voted [illegible] the selectmen the matter of [illegible] filling on the road [illegible]

Voted, to allow O. L. Cofran twenty dollars the ensuing year to expend on the road from Fred Brandy's to the road near the house of [illegible] -

Voted To divide the money refunded on account of dog licenses equally between the two [illegible] -

Voted Not to [illegible]

Voted To allow the following bills of charge
Geo. W. Chadwick for services as chairman of the Selectmen, [illegible] committee of the Poor the past year - $4.00
To preparing duplicate valuation [illegible] [illegible]
To Cash paid Justice's fees 3.50
" " " postage 1.26
" " " car fare 1.51
" " " stationery .16
" " " [illegible] .15
Total $9.27

Voted to pay [illegible] for [illegible] in one of the [illegible] committee of the Poor the past year - $16.25

W. J. Cole for services as one of the School Committee of the Poor and one of the Board of Selectmen for the past year including [illegible] and for postage [illegible] $34.91

1887

John [illegible] and S. A. Bixby [illegible]
for [illegible] bill [illegible] to [illegible] $4.00

Voted, To accept the following list of named of persons [illegible] T. M. School [illegible] as jurors

Geo. B. Audlin	Stephen A. Bixby
William C. Cole	John H. Parker [illegible]
Walter C. Goodrich	Frank Kimball
James C. Whitney	Solomon W. Howe
David M. Cole	Henry [illegible]
Geo. A. Harriman	John T. Swisden
Isaac L. Day	Joseph B. Fisk

" 17th — Voted To accept the statutes of 1886 [illegible] — Chap 200.

Voted to authorize the treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to hire such amount of money as may be necessary for the payment of demands upon him in anticipation of the taxes of the ensuing year to pay the same therefrom —

" 18th Voted not to exempt the Real Estate of the Barker Free School from taxation [illegible]

Voted — [illegible] licensed to sell [illegible] for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town Yes. one — No. nineteen —

Voted, To accept the report of the selectmen relative to Guideposts and [illegible] —

Voted — To accept the report of the Committee on School [illegible]

Voted [illegible] a tax of $7,64 [illegible] in tax bill of 1886 —

Voted To postpone the 13th and 14th articles or not to act upon them, also the 28th article

Voted To adjourn [illegible] B. S. Barnes, Town Clerk —

Whereas the inhabitants of Bayfield qualified to vote in elections, at a legal meeting held March 7th of the current year, voted to accept the provisions of Chapter 264 Acts of 1896, which is "An Act to provide for precinct voting in towns".

In accordance with the requirements of Section first of said Act, We, the undersigned, the Selectmen of said town of Bayfield hereby certify that we have divided the town into two convenient voting precincts as follows, viz:

Beginning at a stone monument at Georgetown line, near the house of Patten & McCaly, next [illegible] thence [illegible] to the house of [illegible] & Patten, southerly [illegible] thence by the house of William H. Cole, southerly along [illegible] stone monument at North Hadlock line.

That all that portion of said town north and southerly of said line shall be known as the first precinct and that portion west and northerly of the above mentioned line shall be known as the second precinct.

Given under our hands at Bayfield this [illegible] day of April, A.D. 1897.

Geo. H. Cleveland
John Parkinson
Stephen C. Bixby
Selectmen of Bayfield.

A true copy attest, B. S. Barnes, Town Clerk.

[illegible] a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Bexfore qualified by law to vote in election of town officers — held Oct. 1st 1888 —

Chose, George W. Chadwick Moderator

1. See if the town will accept the doings of the Selectmen relative to precinct lines in said town and establish the same — The doings of the Selectmen was read in open town meeting & unanimously accepted

2. To see if the Town Clerk provide [illegible] & record books for Precinct Voting records.

[illegible] to dissolve the meeting

A true Copy — Attest: [illegible] Town Clerk

The Subscribers Selectmen of Bexford in accordance with the provisions of the public Statutes Chapter 64 Sec 7th hereby assign the following named persons to vote in the first Precinct in said Town, to wit: [illegible] & one year, [illegible] in said Precinct & said precinct — Eng. Stevens —

and for the second precinct persons George W. Chadwick & Nathaniel Cole, and for Clerk of said precinct James [illegible]

Geo. W. Chadwick
John R. Estes —
S. Stevens
Selectmen of Bexford

Bexford Oct 1st 1888

A true copy, Attest: [illegible]
Town Clerk —

The above assessors have been sworn to faithfully discharge the duties of their offices before me

[illegible] Clerk
Eng. Peard Justice of the Peace

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of Boxford (in Precinct No 1) qualified to vote in elections held in the vestry in the First Parish of said town on Tuesday the eighth day of November A.D. 1887 to give in their votes for —

— — Governor, Lieutenant Governor — Councillor 5th, Secretary of the Commonwealth Treasurer and Receiver General, Auditor of the Commonwealth, Attorney General, Senator 5th Essex District, Representative in General Court for 7th Essex District, and for a County Commissioner All on one ballot; Before opening the Polls the ballot box was opened and shown to be empty and then Closed and locked and the key given to Constable Town —

The Polls wer opened 10 o'clock
The Meeting Set at 0
The Polls wer Closed 2.22 o'clock
Register indicated 64 Sixty four
Check list 64
Number of ballots 64 - Sixty four

The ballots wer all counted sorted and Public declaration made thereof in open meeting as the law directs and wer as follows, —

For Governor of the Commonwealth
Oliver Ames of Easton — Forty two
Henry B. Lovering of Lynn — Thirteen
John H Earle of Worcester — nine
~~Charles~~ C. Marks of Plymouth —

For Lieutenant Governor —
John L. Brackett of Arlington — Forty two
Walter E. Cutting of Pittsfield — Thirteen
John Bleckner of Springfield — nine

For Secretary of the Commonwealth -
Henry B Peirce of Abington - Forty-two
John F. Murphey " Lawrence - Sixteen
Amos A. Hall " Chelsea - Nine
John S. Small " Provincetown 8

For Treasurer and Receiver General
Alanson W. Beard of Boston Forty-two
Henry C. Thacher " Yarmouth Sixteen
John L. Kilbon " Lee Nine
- Goodwin " Lynn 8

For Auditor of the Commonwealth -
Charles E. Leach of Springfield - Forty-two
Wm. F. Cook of Springfield - Sixteen
Edmund M. Stone of Hudson - Nine
John R. Roche " Boston 8

For Attorney General
Andrew J. Waterman " Springfield Forty-two
Jno. M. Lawson " Boston - Sixteen
Allen Collins of Northampton - Nine
F. Harvey, Lincoln of Adams 8

For Senator - First District
David Foster " Lynn 37 Thirty-seven
Wm. S. Gardner " " Sixteen
William P. Ricketson Bryant Eleven

For Councilor - First District
Thomas F. Allen of Lynn Forty-two
John H. Edson " Manchester Sixteen
Ezra A. Lockwood " Salem Nine

For County Commissioner

John W. Raymond of Beverly Forty two
George H. Blake of Salem Thirteen
Daniel Worthen of Amesbury Nine

Representative in General Court - Excl. Marston
William A. Porter of Georgetown Thirty eight
Edwin S. Daniels " Georgetown Seventeen
Amos G. Millett " Georgetown Nine

Meeting Dissolved -
The above is a true copy of the above votes cast -

J. G. Stevens Clerk of Precinct No 1

A true copy
Attest) - - B. S. Barnes Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the legal voters of the precinct of the town of Boxford held in the vestry of the 2d Parish Church in said Town on tuesday the 8th day of November 1887 for the purpose of giveing in their votes for Governor of the Commonwealth, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary Treasurer, Auditor and Attorney General, also for a Counsilor for the fifth district, for a Senator for the 5 Essex district for a Representative to the Gen Court for the 7th Essex district and for one County Commissioner for the County of Essex, All are one:

The polls wer opened at 9 oclock oclock and may be closed at one

Before opening the Ballot-box was publicly exposed to view and shown to be empty and immediately locked

the poll wer closed at 1.40 oclock

the Register indicated 47 - fortyseven
Check list 47 fortyseven
Whole number of ballots 47 fortyseven

The ballots were all sorted counted and recorded and public declaration made thereof in open meeting as the law directs and wer for the following persons Viz

For Governor

Oliver Ames of Easton thirty one
Henry B. Lovering of Lynn Eleven
William H. Earl. of Worcester four
Scattering — one

For Lieutenant Governor

John L. H. Bradlee of Arlington Thirty one
Walter Cutting of Pittsfield Twelve
John Blackmer of Springfield Four

For Secretary of the Commonwealth

Henry B. Pierce of Abington Thirty two
John F. Murphey of Lowell Eleven
Amos E. Hall of Chelsea Four

For Treasurer and Receiver General
Alanson W. Beard of Boston Thirty one
Henry C. Thatcher of Yarmouth Twelve
Jm L. Kilbon of Lee Four

For Auditor
Charles R. Ladd of Springfield Thirty one
William F. Cook of Springfield Twelve
Edmund M. Slow of Hudson Four

For Attorney General
Andrew J. Waterman of Pittsfield Thirty two
John W. Corcoran of Clinton Eleven
Allen Coffin of Nantucket Four

For Councillor Fifth District
Frank D. Allen of Lynn Thirty one
John H. Chever of Manchester Twelve
Ezra Woodbury of Salem Four

For County Commissioner
John W. Raymond of Beverly Thirty two
George H. Blum of Salem Twelve
Daniel Worthen of Amesbury Three

For Senator fifth Essex District

David Walker of Lynn Thirty
Asa T. Nelthall of Lynn Twelve
William P. Alcott of Boxford Five

For Representative to Seventh Essex District
William A. Bitter of Georgetown Nineteen
Edwin S. Daniels of Georgetown Twenty five
~~Amos J. Millitt of Georgetown~~ No. of blanks Three ~~0~~ —

Meeting Dissolved

This is to Certify that the above is a true Copy of the above Votes Cast —
James H. Lee Warden of Precinct No. 1

Attest — B. S. Barnes Town Clerk, —

I hereby Certify that the Votes Cast for Senator for the 5th Essex District in this town at the recent election were recounted Nov 15th, and they were found to be correct, and no — Change whatever for either Candidate,

Boxford Nov. 17th 1887

Attest. B. S. Barnes, Town, Clerk. —

At a meeting of the Clerks of the Towns of Groveland Georgetown Topsfield & Boxford held at the office of the Town Clerk of Georgetown Nov 18th 1887 for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the vote for Representative to the General Court for the 7th Essex District, the vote of each Town as presented by their Clerks was as follows -

In Groveland

Wm A Butler of Georgetown	130
Edwin S. Daniels --	154
Amos J. Millett --	7

In Georgetown

Wm A. Butler of Georgetown	273
Edwin S. Daniels	132

In Boxford

Wm. A. Butler of Georgetown	57
Edwin S. Daniels .. --	42
Amos J. Millett .. --	9

In Topsfield

Wm A. Butler of Georgetown	77
Edwin S. Daniels	43
Amos J. Millett	14

And it was assertaind that Wm A Butler was Elected by a Majority of one hundred and six votes, and Certificates of his Election wer filled out and Signd, Attest B. S. Barnes
Town Clerk

Boston Nov 8th/87

The following is a Condensed record of the returns from the two Precinct Clerks as reported from the Precincts Nov 8th/87 and the Votes were for the following officers viz —

For Governor of Commonwealth

Oliver Ames, of Easton	Seventy three	73
Henry B. Lovering, of Lynn	Twenty four	24
William H. Earl, of Worcester	Thirteen	13
Scattering one — —		1

For Lieut. Governor

John Q. A. Brackett, of Arlington	Seventy three	73
Walter Cutting, of of Pittsfield	Twenty five	25
Isaac Stackpole, of Springfield	Thirteen —	13

For Secretary of the Commonwealth

Henry B. Pierce, of Arlington	Seventy four	74
John F. Swazey of Dorcester	Twenty four	24
Amos E. Hall, of Chelsea	Thirteen —	13

For Treasurer and Receiver General
Alanson H. Bennett, of Boston, Seventy-three 73
Henry C. Thacher, of Yarmouth, Twenty-five 25
Calvin L. Kilbon, of Lee, — Thirteen 13

For Auditor —
Charles R. Ladd, of Springfield, Seventy-three 73
Tristram J. Cook, of Springfield, Twenty-five 25
Edmund A. Stowe, of Hudson, Thirteen — 13

For Attorney General
Andrew J. Waterman, of Pittsfield Seventy-four 74
John W. Corcoran, of Clinton Twenty-four 24
Allen Coffin, of Nantucket Thirteen 13

For Councillor Fifth District
Frank D. Allen, of Lynn Seventy-three 73
John H. Cheever, of Manchester Twenty-five 25
Ezra Woodbury, of Salem Thirteen 13

For County Commissioner
John W. Raymond, of Beverly Seventy-four 74
George H. Blake, of Salem Twenty-five 25
Daniel Northern, of Amesbury Twelve 12

For Senator Fifth Essex District
Daniel Wallace, of Lynn Sixty-seven 67
Asa T. Newhall, of Lynn Twenty-eight 28
William P. Alcott of Boxford Sixteen 16

For Representative Seventh Essex District
William A. Butler of Georgetown Fifty-seven 57
Edwin S. Daniels of Georgetown Forty-two 42
Amos J. Willett of Georgetown Nine 9
Scattering Three 3

A true copy of the votes as returned
Attest — B. S. Barnes Town Clerk

Nov. 4th 1888 This is to Certify that I have this day Authorized the Votes cast at the Nov. Election in Boxford to B. S. Barnes Town Clerk —

1838 [illegible] of Boxford
[illegible] Town Affairs
[illegible] the Westgate West Point
[illegible] Moderator & Sworn
[illegible] U.S. Statutes [illegible] sworn by J.P.

Chose John Pettengill [illegible] & Sam'l Day Selectmen
Assessors & Overseers of the Poor

Chose Albert W. Jewett & Charles R. Anderson Constables
" " Reports for Town School Committee for 3 yrs
" " [illegible] Treasurer & Collector

Chose

[illegible]	[illegible]	Fire Wardens
John [illegible]	Charles [illegible]	
[illegible]	James W. [illegible]	
[illegible]	Charles [illegible]	
Aden Sheffield		

Chose

George [illegible]	Hiram [illegible]	Surveyors of Highways
Stephen T. Bixby	John Pettengill	
Stephen T. Bixby	[illegible]	
Samuel [illegible]	Samuel [illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	George W. [illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
Samuel [illegible]	[illegible]	
George [illegible]		

Chose

George [illegible]	[illegible]	Surveyors of Lumber
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	
John Pettengill	[illegible]	

Chose [illegible] C. B. [illegible] Pound Keepers

Chose John Parkhurst, [illegible] Johnson, W. S. Barnes, George A. Harriman, D. S. Gillis, Warren M. Cole, George B. Christie, S. W. Howe, J. Henry Gear, L. J. Wood — Surveyors of Wood & Bark

Chose B. S. Barnes, J. Warren Chadwick, George W. Chadwick — Fence Viewers

Voted That the Selectmen make out the Town report with the Treasurers report & the Town Warrant &c. and that it be prepaid for the people one week before town meeting

Voted That the School Committee choose the Superintendant of Schools & that the Salary shall be one hundred dolls

Voted To accept the report on Guideboards —

Voted To accept the report of the Committee on School Funds

Voted To raise $1400. for Schools $200. of it for music

Voted To raise $2100. for Town expenses —

Voted To raise $1000. for Highways & $200. to be put in the Selectmens hand in case of need —

Voted To buy a road machine & that the Selectmen buy it.

Article 11 Past passed —

Voted That the Surveyors use their discretion in regard to bathing snow & that they shall allow for a man & for a yoke of oxen 20 cts per hour and for a pair of horses 30 cts per hour while at work on the road in bathing snow — And that the Surveyors allow for a man 15 cts per hour & for a yoke of oxen 20 cts & for a Plough, Cart or shovel 5 cts per hour each

Voted That the taxes be assessed & committed to the collector by the first of August & 4 per ct will be allowed on all taxes paid by Sept 1st & 2 per ct on all pd by October 1st & they shall all be collected by Jan 1st 1884 —

Voted That wood shall be furnished the schools same as last year except that it shall be paid for from the Town Treasury —

Voted That in regard to fishing in our leased ponds be left with the Selectmen —

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[illegible] petition the General Court of Massachusetts for leave to controle their lease roads after the expiration of the present case — and chose a Committee to attend to it

Voted Warren H. Cole, George W. Chadwick and F. W. Chadwick said Committee

The following is a list of jurors accepted for the year —

George B. Austin	Stephen A. Bixby
Morris L. Cole	James P. Cleaveland
David H. Cole	John W. Parkhurst
Walter I. Chadwick	A. G. Herbert
James C. Whitney	Henry Perley
George A. Harriman	John S. Jordan
Alonzo J. Henley	Daniel W. Conant

Voted To allow the following bills of Charge.

George W. Chadwick for Service as Chairman of the Selectmen Assessors & overseers of the Poor the past year $110.00

To Cash ~~for Car~~ paid for Carfare	4.55
To " " " " " Postage	1.04
To " " " " " Stationary	75
" " " " " Justice fees	1.50
" " " " " Express	15
	$117.99

John W. Parkhurst for Service as one of the Assessors Selectmen & overseers of the Poor the past year $78.00

Stephen A. Bixby for Services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the poor the past year 32.50

Francis J. Stevens for Services as School Committee the past year 100.00
To Cash paid for Blank for School Mtg 5.00
$105.00

Town of Boxford to Edward G. Pearl &c

To extra labor on Highways for 1887 $50.00

To George Doherty for extra labor on the highways $23.50

To C. R. Anderson to posting town warrant — 2.00

To looking up unlicensed Dogs 1.50

$3.50

L. P. Cleaveland to Service as Precinct Warden — 2.00

Charles Perley to labor on Highways 3.66

Israel B. Spofford to Service as School Committee 8.95

Voted To authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to hire such amount of Money as may be necessary for the payment of demands upon him in anticipation of the Taxes of the ~~ensuing~~ year and payable therefrom

Their was 51 Votes Cast in regard to granting licenses for the Sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town the Checklist indicated 51 the Ballot-box 51 & the Votes 51 46 No & 5 Yes — before voting the box was opened and was empty & set at 0 —

Voted That the Money refunded from Dog licences shall be divided amongst the Schools

Voted In regard to Highway District No 16 be left with the Selectmen

Voted That Mr Gerrish's Claim for damage be left with the Selectmen for Settlement by a Suit at law or otherwise, they being authorized to employ Counsel if necessary —

Voted That the Selectmen paint the Alms House

Voted That Eben L. Harper be paid $20, on to expend on his Road

Voted That a Vote of thanks be extended to Mr — Wilmarth for his extended out-lays in beautifying the grounds around his Mansion in the [illegible]

Voted [illegible] the Thanks of the meeting are tendered [illegible] for his Service [illegible] the [illegible] meeting.

Meeting [illegible]

Attest [illegible]

Boxford Oct 1st 1855

The subscribers hereby appoint John Parkhurst and James P. Cleaveland Wardens, and Francis J. Stevens Clerk for Precinct One (first Parish)
Also Wm K. Cole and George H. Hadwen for Wardens and James H. Wilson, Clerk for Precinct Two Second Parish —
Said Officers to serve for one year from September first 1855

Wm K. Cole } Selectmen of Boxford

A true Copy Attest B. S. Barnes, Town Clerk

Nov 5th 1855 The above Wardens & Clerks have been sworn to the faithful discharge of their duties — B. S. Barnes, Town Clerk

At a meeting of the Clerks of the towns of Groveland Georgetown Boxford & Topsfield held at the office of the Clerk of Georgetown Nov 16th/88 for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the Votes for Representative to the General Court for Essex District. The Vote of each town as presented by the Clerks was as follows

	For	Pike	Woodbury	Donelson
Groveland	219	218	7	
Georgetown	277	176	1	
Boxford	96	64	8	
Topsfield	104	114	11	
	696	572	30	

Pikes Majority ninety four

And it was assertaind that Baxter P. Pike was elected by ninety four Majority and a Certificate was made out & signed of his election,

Attest B. S. Barnes, Town Clerk,

The following is a true record of votes in the two Precincts in Boxford last [illegible]

Attest B. S. Barnes

For Electors of President & Vice President

George D. Robinson of Chicopee 107
William F. Draper, Hopedale 107
James H Roberts of Cambridge nine
John Bloomfield of Springfield nine
John Boyle O'Reilly of Boston, fifty one
George M. Stearns of Chicopee, fifty one

District No	By Districts, One hundred and Seven
1	John H. Reed of Barnstable, One hundred & Seven
2	George E. Freeman of Brockton, One hundred & Seven
3	Halsey J. Boardman of Boston, One hundred & Seven
4	Elijah Merlain Hatch of Boston, One hundred & Seven
5	Henry J. Wells of Cambridge, One hundred & Seven
6	Horatio Wellington of Boston, One hundred & Seven
7	Francis Norwood of Beverly, One hundred & Seven
8	Charles A. Bell of Lawrence, One hundred & Seven
9	Charles L. Tirrell of Natick, One hundred & Seven
10	Frank P. Goulding of Worcester, One hundred & Seven
11	Chester C. Cement of Greenfield, One hundred & Seven
12	Elisha Morgan of Springfield, One hundred & Seven

Thomas C. Gray of Barnstable, fifty one
Bushrod Morse of Sharon, fifty one
Nathan Matthews of Boston, fifty one
Matthew Keaney of Boston, fifty one
Charles H. Taylor Boston, fifty one
Henry Bradlee of Medford, fifty one
James F. Dean of Salem, fifty one
John C. Sanborn, Lawrence, fifty one
William Aspinwall Brookline, fifty one
Edward W. Lincoln of Worcester, fifty one
Frederick S. Coolidge of Ashburnham, fifty one
Walter Cutting of Pittsfield, fifty one

John D. Flint of Fall River — Nine
William J. Smith of Taunton — Nine
Francis M. Gray of Boston — Nine
Israel S. Trafton of Boston — Nine
Andrew Hayes " Boston — Nine
George H. Harwood of Lynn — Nine
Daniel W. Friend of Manchester — Nine
Orsen E. Mallory " Lowell — Nine
Charles M. Bowers of Clinton — Nine
Edward D. Cement " Worster — Nine
Julius H. Seelye " Amherst — Nine
Howard A. Gibbs " Lee — Nine

For Governor —

Oliver Ames of Easton, One hundred & Six
William E. Russell of Cambridge, fifty two
William H. Earl " Worcester, Ten

Lieutenant Governor

John L. A. Brackett of Arlington, One hundred & Seven
John W. Corcoran of Clinton, fifty two
John Bascom " Williamstown, Nine

For Secretary of State

Henry B. Pierce of Abington, One hundred & Eight
William N. Osgood of Boston, fifty one
Henry C. Smith of Williamsburgh, Nine

For Treasurer —

George A. Marden of Lowell, One hundred & Seven
Henry C. Thacher of Yarmouth, fifty two
John M. Fisher of Attleborough, Nine

For Auditor

Charles R. Lada of Springfield, One hundred & Seven
William A. Williams of Worster, fifty two
Edmund M. Slade of Hudson, Nine

For Attorney Gen

Andrew J. Waterman of Pittsfield, One hundred & Seven
Allen Coffin " Nantucket, Nine
Samuel Adams " Greenfield, fifty two

For Councillor, Fifth District.

Augustus Hodge of Danvers One hundred Seven
William Stopford " Beverly fifty two
Ezra Woodbury " Salem nine

For Representative to Congress 7th Dist. & two
William Cogswell of Salem one hundred
Samuel Roads Jr, of Marblehead fifty four
James J. H. Gregory of Marblehead nine

For County Commissioner.

Edward B. Bishop of Haverhill, One hundred Seven
Charles A. Maxwell " Haverhill fifty two
William B. Morgan of Wenham nine

State Senator fifth Essex District.

David Nutter of Lynn, ninety
George F. Hart " Lynn Fifty nine
William P. Elliott of Boxford eight

For County Treasurer

E. Kendall Jenkins of Andover, One hundred nine
James Quinn of Hamilton, fifty
Jacob Spalding of Salisbury

For Register of Probate & Insolvency.

Jeremiah J. Mahoney of Salem, One hundred fifty nine
Daniel W. French of Amesbury. nine

For Register of Deeds Southern District.

Charles S Osgood of Salem, One hundred Seven
Charles Osgood, " " fifty two
Jeremiah C Underhill of Ipswich, nine

Representative to Gen Court 7th Dist

Walter P. Pike of Topsfield Ninety Six
Isaac N. Woodbury Topsfield Sixty four
Washington Emerson of Topsfield eight

Report of the Ballot in the First Precinct of Hartford

November 6th 1888

Pursuant to legal notice of the legal voters of the first precinct of the town of Hartford, met in the Police of the first parish church — and on Tuesday the eighth day of November 1888 the purpose of giving in their votes for President, governor, lieutenant governor, secretary, treasurer, comptroller, attorney general, sheriff, senator, representatives, judge of probate, for the 1st district, for a member of the House of Representatives, for the 1st District — the legislature of Connecticut, for four representatives, for the Hartford County, for sheriff, for the Hartford County District Attorney, for the Hartford County Commissioner, for the Hartford County District — for one town treasurer.

The polls were opened at ten o'clock and closed at five o'clock. Before opening the ballot box we opened and examined the pencils, pens and blank ballots to be used in the box, and immediately locked and sealed the box to be kept by the ballot clerks.

The box was opened, and the ballots were counted, and the check list showed 1[illegible] voters.

The ballots were then counted, sorted and recounted, and the following was the result.

For President and Vice President

George W. Curtis [illegible]

Grover Cleveland [illegible]

[illegible]

For Governor

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

For Lieutenant Governor

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

	[illegible] of [illegible]	[illegible] vote	(8)
	[illegible] of Brookline	sixty "	(60)
District 1	[illegible] of Brookline	twenty six "	(26)
	[illegible] of East Roxbury	eight "	(8)
	George E. Freeman of Brockton	sixty "	(60)
District 2	Brackett Marsh of Sharon	twenty six "	(26)
	[illegible] of [illegible]	eight "	(8)
	Wesley [illegible] of Boston	sixty "	(60)
District 3	[illegible] Matthews of Boston	twenty six "	(26)
	[illegible] of Boston	eight "	(8)
	[illegible] of Boston	sixty "	(60)
District 4	[illegible] of Boston	twenty six "	(26)
	[illegible] of Boston	eight "	(8)
	[illegible] of [illegible]	[illegible] "	(60)
District 5	[illegible] of Boston	twenty six "	(26)
	[illegible] of Boston	eight "	(8)
	[illegible] of Boston	sixty "	(60)
District 6	Henry [illegible] of Needham	twenty six "	(26)
	[illegible] of [illegible]	eight "	(8)
	[illegible] of [illegible]	sixty "	[illegible]
District 7	[illegible] of [illegible]	twenty six "	[illegible]
	[illegible] of Hanchester	eight "	[illegible]
	[illegible] of Lawrence	sixty "	[illegible]
District 8	[illegible] of Lawrence	twenty six "	(26)
	[illegible] of Lowell	eight "	[illegible]
	[illegible] of Lowell	sixty "	(60)
District 9	[illegible] of [illegible]	twenty six "	(26)
	[illegible] of [illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

[illegible] R. P. Gardiner of [illegible]
[illegible] " " [illegible]
[illegible] Conant " " [illegible]

[illegible] Conant of Greenfield [illegible]
[illegible] Frederick S. Coolidge " Northampton [illegible]
[illegible] H. Seelye " Amherst [illegible]

Elisha Morgan of Springfield [illegible]
[illegible] Walter Cullinge of Pittsfield [illegible]
Howard A. Tills of Lee [illegible]

[illegible] James " Boston [illegible]
[illegible] William E. Russell " Cambridge [illegible]
[illegible] William H. Earle " Worcester [illegible]

[illegible] John Q. A. Brackett of Attleboro [illegible]
[illegible] John W. Corcoran " Chicopee [illegible]
[illegible] John Bascom " Williamstown [illegible]

[illegible] Secretary of the Commonwealth
[illegible] J. Pierce of Andover [illegible]
[illegible] William N. Osgood " Boston [illegible]
[illegible] Henry L. Smith " Williamsburg [illegible]

[illegible] Treasurer and Receiver General
[illegible] George N. Marden of Lowell [illegible]
[illegible] " [illegible]
[illegible] John H. Fish " Attleboro [illegible]

Charles R. Cadd " Springfield [illegible]
[illegible] William G. Williams " Worcester [illegible]
Edmund M. Stone " Hudson [illegible]

[illegible] Attorney General
Andrew J. Waterman of [illegible]
Samuel O. Lamb " Greenfield [illegible]
Allen Coffin " [illegible]

For Councillor Fifth District

Augustus Hodge of Danvers sixty votes (60)
William Stafford " Beverly twenty seven " (27)
Eyra Woodbury " Salem eight " (8)

For Representative to Congress 7th District

[illegible] Caldwell of Salem fifty six votes (56)
Samuel Reads jr " Marble head twenty ~~nine~~ " (29)
James J. H. Gregory " " eight " (8)

[illegible]

Edward R. Bishop of Haverhill sixty " (60)
Charles A. Maynard " " twenty seven " (27)
William B. Morgan " Wenham eight " (8)

For Senator Fifth Essex District

Daniel Walker of Lynn fifty seven votes (57)
George H. Hart " Lynn thirty " (30)
William P. Alcott " Boxford seven " (7)

For Register of Probate and insolvency

Jeremiah J. Mahoney of Salem eighty seven (87)
Daniel W. French of Amesbury eight " (8)

For County Treasurer

E. Kendall Perkins of Andover sixty one " (61)
[illegible] Quinn " Hamilton twenty seven " (27)
[illegible] H. Spalding " Salisbury seven " (7)

For Register of deeds Southern District

Charles H. Osgood " Salem sixty votes " (60)
[illegible] Osgood " " twenty seven " (27)
[illegible]
For [illegible] District
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

A true copy attest G. S. Davis, Secy Clerk

No 2 Precinct [illegible]

(*) Pursuant to the [illegible], the inhabitants of (*) Precinct No (2) qualified to vote in [illegible] district, assembled at the time and place and for the purpose therein specified [illegible] calling the meeting was read by the [illegible] publicly opened the ballot box and the same having been [illegible] [illegible] and the [illegible] [illegible]

The ballot box [illegible] [illegible] indicating [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible]

The [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

The ballot box remained [illegible] [illegible]

At one o'clock and [illegible] ([illegible]) [illegible] closed the ballot box and [illegible] [illegible] three (73) [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] (73) The [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] received [illegible] [illegible] following [illegible]

[illegible]

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A True Copy, Attest, S. S. Barnes
Town Clerk

1889 At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of Boxford legally qualified to vote at elections and in town affairs. Held at the Vestry in the second Parish in said Boxford on the fourth day of March 1889 the following record was made

Chose William K Cole } Moderator
(Oath Administered by B S Barnes Esq in open Meeting)

Chose Frederick A Howe } Town Clerk
(Oath Administered by the Moderator in open meeting)

Voted That the Rev C L Hubbard be invited to offer a prayer and he came forward and united in prayer with the people

Chose George W Chadwick } First Selectman
John Parkhurst } Second Selectman
Henry Perley } Third Selectman

Voted That these Selectmen shall be Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

Chose Albert H Towne
George A Harriman } Constables

Chose William P Cleaveland } School Committee for the term of three years

Chose Edward E Pearl } Treasurer and Collector

Chose Daniel Bixby, Humphrey Perley Jr, T Perley Killam, Laurence B Tidd, Jeremiah Rea, Edward E Pearl, Charles Perley, Charles B Carleton, John M Pearl } Field Drivers

Voted To take up the 13th Article of the Warrant

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Voted To choose three Road Commissioners, one to serve three years, and one to serve two years, and one to serve One year. To be chosen by Ballot

Voted To take up the second Article

Voted To Adjourn the meeting for the space of thirty minutes

Chose

Israel Herrick	Solomon W Howe	Surveyors of Lumber
Chester Killam	John Parkhurst	
George P. Frame	John M Pearl	
William K Cole	J J Porter	
J H Nason	George W Chadwick	

Chose

Stephen A Bigby	Samuel P Peabody	Surveyor of Wood and Bark
Lawrence B Tidd	Albert G Hurlbutt	
C A Stetson	John M Pearl	
J Horace Nason	Warren M Cole	
Wm K Cole	George A Harriman	

Chose

B S Barnes	Fence Viewers
John Parkhurst	
Edwd E Pearl	

Chose

Sidney Perley	Auditors
J Horace Nason	

Voted That the Auditors be requested to make out their report of all matters of interest to the town, and cause the report to be printed so that copies may be distributed one week before the next annual town meeting is held. Also that the Warrant calling the next annual town meeting shall be printed in this report And the Selectmen shall close all accounts on or before February first 1890 and have their Books ready at that time for the Auditors to examine

1889

Chose — Henry Moulton, William R Kimball } Pound Keepers

Chose — Charles Perley 2d } Sealer of Weights and Measures

Chose — Stephen A Bixby } Road Commissioner for three years
George A Harriman } Road Commissioner for two years
William K Cole } Road Commissioner for one year

Voted — To instruct the School Committee to choose a Superintendent of Schools

Voted — To accept the report of the Selectmen relative to Guide Posts & Boards without being read

Voted — To accept the report of the Committee on School Funds, without being read

Voted — That the Compensation of town officers shall be as follows. The Treasurer and Collector shall receive One Hundred Dollars The Superintendent of Schools shall receive One Hundred Dollars. The Road Commissioners shall be paid two dollars a day while in actual service The pay for the men employed to work on the roads and the teams and implements to be used thereon shall be paid for at the same rate as last year "as follows" For a man fifteen cents an hour while in actual service, and for a yoke of oxen twenty cents an hour, and for a Plow, Cart, Ox Shovel, five cents an hour for each one. And while Pathing Snow a man shovel be allowed twenty cents an hour and a yoke of oxen twenty cents an hour and a pair of Hosses thirty cents an hour That all other bills shall be allowed by the Selectmen, except their own bills for services rendered to the town, these must be brought before the town to be allowed

1889

Voted That the Moderator be paid five dollars for his services as presiding Officer

Voted To raise Fourteen Hundred Dollars for the support of Schools and that Two Hundred Dollars of this money shall be expended for musical instruction in the Schools

Voted To raise Two Thousand Dollars to defray the expenses of the town for the current year and Five Hundred Dollars more in addition to this sum to be used in reducing the town debt

Voted To raise Twelve Hundred Dollars to be used for repairs and amendments of Highways and Bridges the coming year

Voted To pass over the eleventh article of the warrant

Voted That the Road Commissioners shall take such action as they may deem best to make the roads passable when encumbered with snow

Voted That the taxes shall be committed to the Collector, and other matters pertaining to them shall be the same as in the year 1887 as follows, That the taxes be committed to the Collector on or before the first day of September next And that a discount of four per cent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first day of October and two per cent on all paid before the first day of November and that all taxes shall be collected before the first day of January 1890

1889

Voted That the fuel to be used in the Schools shall be supplied from the Town Farm and shall be paid for from the Treasury of the town

Voted That the following list of names of persons presented by the Selectmen as Jurors be acted upon seperately, and they were accepted as follows

George B Austin	David M Cole
James C Whitney	Charles A Andrew
William H Anderson	William K Cole
Stephen K Fowler	Stephen A Bixby
James P Cleaveland	John W Parkhurst
T Perley Killam	Hiram N Towne
John T Twisden	Daniel W Conant

Voted To allow the following bills of charge

Isaac C Day for services as Selectman Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year $45.00

William K Cole for services as Selectman Assessor and Overseer of the Poor $61.50

Services as Register & Election Warden 8.50

Cash Paid for Stationery Postage and Justice Fees 5.65

75.65

John Parkhurst for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor including travelling expenses postage, Stationery &c $110.00

John Parkhurst to cash paid William Garrett for damage sustained on the Highway $12.00

1889

Voted Mrs Annie Twitchell for board and care of Maggie McKenna from April 25th to August 28th 1888

16 weeks @ $6.00	$ 96.00
2 weeks @ $8.00	16.00
	112.00

S K Fowler for damages to sleigh on account of stone in the road

Cash paid Capt J Porter for repairs	$ 3.50
" " J K Nason " " "	2.00
" " for Paint	70
Milk lost by upseting 3 Cans	1.05
Repairs on Harness	50
	7.75

Charles C Anderson for ten hours work pathing snow in the Spring of 1888 $ 2.00

J F Spofford for Labor Material and Services as School Committee $ 7.00

Voted To accept the report presented by the selectmen regarding the receipts and expenditures and financial condition of the town

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Voted That the Committee on fisheries be continued, and that they go before the Legislature on March 5th to secure such rights to control our fisheries as may be deemed best for the public good of Boxford. And Isaac C Day and James P Cleaveland were added to the Committee

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Voted That the building of the bridge near the residence of Samuel Twisden be placed in the hands of the Road Commissioners. The time and manner of building The Material to be used and the size of the bridge they shall determine

1889

Voted To authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen. To hire such amounts of money as may be needed from time to time to pay demands that may be made upon him.

In anticipation of the taxes of the ensuing year and payable therefrom

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Voted Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the town as follows Yes (11) eleven No (35) thirty five

The register on the Ballot Box indicated 46 and the check list 46 and when the Ballot Box was opened it was found to contain 46 Ballots

Voted To appropriate the money that may be refunded on account of Dog licenses for the benefit of the town Schools the coming year

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Voted That the rebuilding and enlarging of the bridge at the "Willows" so called easterly of the house of G S Morse on the road leading to Georgetown, Be placed in the hands of the Road Commissioners for them to act in the matter as they deem best

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Voted That the books that have accumulated in the Town Clerks Office which are not needed by him "such as Reports on Agriculture and other matters of interest", shall be divided equally between the two Libraries in town

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Voted That the bridge near the house of Miss Emily Palmer shall be attended to by the Road Commissioners in whatever manner they may deem best

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Voted To Adjourn Sine Die

Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

1889

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Boxford in Precinct number One, qualified to vote in town affairs and in Elections, held at the Vestry of the First Church in said town on Monday the 22nd of April 1889, the following record of the vote "yes" or "no" was made, relative to an article of amendment to the State Constitution. Viz:

The manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage are prohibited.

The whole number of votes cast was sixty. The polls were opened at 10 o'clock. The ballot box was opened, and shown to be empty locked and the key placed in the hands of Constable in the room.

The box registered 000
The polls closed at 2 10 o'clock.
The box registered sixty (60)
The check list " sixty (60)
The vote "yes" was thirty four (34)
The vote "no" was twenty six (26).

Voted to dissolve the meeting

Attest.

F. J. Stevens
Clerk of said precinct.
Town of Boxford

At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Boxford in precinct number two, qualified to vote in town affairs and in elections, held at the Vestry of the Second Church in said Boxford on Monday the 22nd day of April 1889 the following certificate and record was made.

This may certify that at the precinct number two (2) in Boxford a meeting called

1889. by the Select men of said town in this Commonwealth on the Article of Amendment of the Constitution. "The manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors to be used as a beverage are prohibited."

Whole number of votes cast, fifty six (56)
"No" received forty three (43)
"Yes" received thirteen (13)

The polls were opened at (10) ten o'clock in the forenoon and closed at two (2) o'clock in the afternoon.

The ballots were sorted, counted, recorded and declared in open precinct meeting. Then by a vote the meeting was dissolved.

A true record,
James H. Webster
Clerk of Precinct number 2
Stafford Springs

April 22d 1889.

A true Copy
Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

1889 At a legal meeting of the Inhabitants of Bofford legally qualified to vote at elections and in town affairs. Held at the Vestry in the second Parish in said Bofford on Monday the thirtieth day of September 1889

The following record was made

Chose William K Cole } Moderator to preside at this meeting

Chose William W Howe
John H Nason } Auditors

Voted That the Selectmen shall pay to Charles B Carleton the sum of Fifty Dollars to settle his demand on the town for damages incurred on the Highway in said town on September 8th 1889 And that the selectmen shall take at the time of payment to Charles B Carleton of this sum of Fifty Dollars his receipt in full of all demands. according to his agreement in open town meeting that the said sum should settle his entire claim for damage to his carriage and for injuries sustained by himself and his wife, and all other damages whatever

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Voted to dissolve this meeting

Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

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The Subscribers hereby appoint the following named persons to hold their respective offices for the ensuing year

John W Parkhurst } Election Wardens
Samuel A Frye } Precinct one

Stephen A Bixby } Inspectors of Elections
Henry Perley } Precinct one

William P Cleaveland } Deputy Inspectors of Elections
Frederick E Gillis } Precinct one

Francis J Stevens } Clerk Precinct one

George W Chadwick } Election Wardens
William K Cole } Precinct Two

Warren M Cole } Inspectors of Elections
Morris L Cole } Precinct Two

George B Austin } Deputy Inspector of Elections
Walter I Chadwick } Precinct Two

James H Webster } Clerk Precinct Two

Bedford October 5th 1889

George W Chadwick } Selectmen
John Parkhurst } Bedford

A true copy attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

1889

Agreeably to a warrant ordered by the Selectmen to vote for State, County and district officers November 5th, 1889, the meeting of the first precinct was called to order at ten o'clock forenoon, and the warrant read by John J. Bennett, Warden of said precinct. The ballot box was opened and shown to be empty, locked and the key placed in the hands of Constable Clifford Ives who was appointed

The polls were closed at two o'clock. The Register indicated, received and sworn 102
Check list " " 02
Whole number of voters 03

Candidates voted for, viz.

For Governor.

Charles Brackett, Charlestown, fifty four	54
Thomas Russell, Springfield, thirty two	32
John Bellows, Springfield, eight	8

For Lieut. Governor

William Haile, of Springfield, fifty seven	57
John K. Corcoran, of Claremont, twenty seven	27
Benjamin F. Stevens, of Boston, seven	7

For Secretary.

Henry B. Rogers, Newington, fifty four	54
William A. Cogswell, of Boston, thirty seven	37
George E. Cottenden, of Rochester, seven	7

For Treasurer, and Receiver General.

George C. Jordan, of Concord, fifty four	54
Edwin E. Ingram " Colebrook, twenty six	26
Frederick E. Wing, " Ashburnham, seven	7

For Auditor.

Charles F. Todd of Springfield,	fifty three	53
William T. Trefry of Marblehead	twenty five	25
William T. Eaton of Boston	seven	7

For Attorney General

Andrew J. Waterman of Pittsfield	fifty three	53
Luther B. Lombard of Springfield	twenty three	23
Allen Griffin of Pawtucket	seven	7

For Councillor 5th. district.

Augustus Mudge of Danvers	forty nine	49
John L. Currier of Newburyport	twenty five	25
William T. Alcott of Boxford	twelve	12

For District Attorney eastern district.

William Crowdy of Haverhill	forty eight	48
Gary F. Talbot of Lynn	thirty three	33
Jacob T. Carter of Amesbury	six	6

For Sheriff

Martin V. Creich of Lawrence	fifty seven	57
James C. Parker of Methuen	twenty four	24
William H. Appleyard Newburyport	seven	7

For County Commissioner.

David A. Lane of Gloucester	fifty five	55
Horace F. Longfellow of Amesbury	twenty three	23
Samuel Cook of Peabody	six	6

For Special Commissioner

John A. Stanford of Lynnfield	fifty	50
Moses Wanger of Amesbury	fifty	50
Lewis Huber of Danvers	nineteen	19
Daniel B. Lord of Salem	twenty two	22
Lexington Dunsdon of Topsfield	five	5
Jonathan C. Crane of Marblehead	seven	7

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For Commissioner of Insolvency

Ethanial Hooke of Lynn	forty nine	49
Francis M. Drummond of Melrose	forty eight	48
Charles A. Raymond of Lynn	forty six	46
Benjamin C. Bradford of Lynn	twenty two	22
George E. Weil of South Hadley	twenty five	25
Israel H. Andrews of Taunton	seven	7
Bernard Brickett of Everett	seven	7
Lyman R. Lawrence of Lawrence	six	6

For Senator, fifth District.

B. Frank Southwick of Peabody	fifty one	51
George H. Hart of Lynn	twenty eight	28
John N. Perkins of Lynn	seven	7

For Representative in General Court

James J. Caswell of Peabody	thirty three	33
John Parkhurst of Lynn	sixty five	65
Stephen K. Fowler of Bedford	two	2

A true record attest

Francis J. Stevens,
Clerk of Precinct No 1.

Adjourned November 5th 1889

Meeting dissolved

A true copy
Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

Records of Precinct 2 — Bristol Ward.
Pursuant to the warrant posted by the Selectmen of said Bristol the inhabitants of said Bristol in Precinct two (2) qualified to vote in the town directs assembled, at the time and place and for the purposes therein expressed.
At ten (10) and twelve minutes o'clock A.M. the warrant calling the meeting was read by the warden, who then publicly opened the ballot box, and the same, having been personally examined by the election officers and the public, was found to be empty. The ballot-box was immediately locked the registers indicating zero, and the key to the box was taken and retained by George Fletcher in the Constable in attendance.
The warden then called upon the inhabitants of said Precinct qualified by law to vote to give in their votes for the purposes expressed in said warrant. The ballot-box remained sealed while the polls were opened at (2) two o'clock and thirty five minutes the polls were closed, the ballot-box was found to register sixty-one (61).
The officers in charge of the checklist, in presence of the other officers and the public, pronounced in a distinct and audible voice the names checked on said list and announced the whole number to be sixty-one (61).
The ballot-box without being removed from the public view, was then opened by the warden the ballots were taken therefrom and publicly counted, one by one, and the warden publicly announced

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and the whole number to be sixty one (61).
The precinct officers then proceeded to
count the number of votes received, with
the following result.
Candidates Voted for in Precinct 2 town
of Ashford, Tuesday November eighth (8th) 1889.

For Governor.

John Blackmer of Springfield	four	4
John A. Burchett, of Arlington	thirty eight	38
William E. Russell, of Cambridge	fifteen	15
Blanks	four	4

For Lieutenant Governor.

John A. Corcoran of Clinton	fourteen	14
William T. Hale of Springfield	thirty six	36
Benjamin F. Sturtevant, of Boston	five	5
Blanks	six	6

For Secretary.

George D. Robinson of Westfield	five	5
William H. Good of Boston	fourteen	14
Henry B. Pierce of Lexington	thirty seven	37
Blanks	five	5

For Treasurer and Receiver General

George A. Marden of Lynn	thirty nine	39
Elias H. Magoun of Chicopee	twelve	12
Frederick W. King of Newburyport	four	4
Blanks	four	4

For Auditor

William E. Hixson of Boston	three	3
Charles Endicott of Springfield	thirty five	35
William H. T. Tracy of Hyde Park	fourteen	14
Blanks	nine	9

For Attorney General.

Allen Chapin	of Pittsfield	three	3
Eliakim B. Hammond	of Springfield	fourteen	14
Andrew J. Waterman	of Pittsfield	thirty-eight	38
	Blanks	six	6

For Councillor Fifth District.

William P. Lycott	of Boxford	three	3
John J. Currier	of Newburyport	fourteen	14
Augustus Hodge	of Danvers	thirty-eight	38
	Blanks	six	6

For District Attorney Eastern District.

Jacob S. Ghorte	of Lynnfield	four	4
Henry F. Gilbert	of Lynn	fourteen	14
Nathaniel Moody	of Danvers	thirty-seven	37
	Blanks	six	6

For Sheriff.

Martin L. Merrick	of Lawrence	thirty-seven	37
William B. Morgan	of Stoneham	three	3
James O. Parker	of Methuen	fourteen	14
	Blanks	eight	8

For County Commissioner.

Prince T. Engelhom	of Newbury	fifteen	15
David H. Lowe	of Gloucester	thirty-six	36
Samuel Trask	of Peabody	four	4
	Blanks	six	6

For Special Commissioner (vote one)

Sylvanus Smith	of Lynnfield	thirty-six	36
Washington Hodgdon	of Topsfield	three	3
Henry Hobart	of Wenham	eleven	11
Daniel B. Lord	of Salem	seven	11
Jonathan Kline	of Georgetown	three	3
Aaron Dwyer	of Amesbury	thirty-six	36
	Blanks	twenty-two	22

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For Commissioners of Insolvency (vote for 3)

Israel A. Andrews	of Danvers	four	4
Barnard Brickett	of Haverhill	three	3
Walter H. Hawkes	of Lynn	thirty-three	33
Lynde	of Lynn	five	5
Benjamin F. Phillips	of Lynn	eleven	11
Grace	of Haverhill	thirty-five	35
Charles A. Wayman	of Merrimac	thirty-four	34
George [illegible] Neil	of Northfield	eleven	11
		Blank forty-seven	47

For Senator, Fifth Essex District

George D. Hart	of Lynn	thirteen	13
John H. Perkins	of Lynnfield	three	3
Frank Poultney	of Peabody	thirty-six	36
		Blank	nine	9

For Representative in General Court
Seventh Essex District.

James P. Cleveland	of Boxford	thirty-two	32
Stephen G. Fowler	of Boxford	one	1
John Parkhurst	of Boxford	twenty-two	22
		Blanks six	6

The polls were voted, counted, recorded and declared in open Precinct meeting. Then by a vote the meeting was dissolved.
A true copy of the record attest

James G. Porter
Clerk of Precinct No 2
Boxford Mass.

Boxford Nov 5th 1889.

A true copy
Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

Votes of the town of Pequonnock in the town of Bridgeport on the election of State, County and District officers, held on the 5th day of November 1889. The meeting of the legal voters of District one being held in the Vestry of the first Church in said town at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

And the meeting of the legal voters in District two being held in the Vestry of the second church in said town at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

For Governor

John E. A. Burchett	93
Wm E. Russell	47
John Blair	12

For Lieutenant Governor

Wm H. Lyle	93
John F. Curran	41
Benjamin F. Stuart	12

For Secretary

Henry B. Pierce	1
William Wood	41
Forest Cattlin	12

For Treasurer and Comptroller General

Geo E. Harden	93
Edwin L. Mann	34
Frederick L. Hung	11

For Auditor

Garrick M. Todd	38
Wm D. T. Trafton	37
Wm H. Lewis	10

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For Attorney General.

Andrew J. Waterman	91
Elias B. Hayward	37
Allen Collins	16

For Councillor Dist 5.

Augustus Mundge	87
John J. Currier	34
Wm. P. Wescott	15

For District Attorney Eastern District.

Wm. H. Snowden	85
Henry T. Turbutt	47
Jacob T. Chase	10

For Sheriff.

T. J. Herzog	14
James G. Parker	37
Wm. B. Wyman	10

For County Commissioner.

David W. Cone	11
Peter H. Crosby	38
Daniel Frank	10

For Special Commissioners.

John W. Danforth	84
Orson Sprague	84
Henry Hebber	30
Daniel B. Ford	33
Wellington Crowell	08
Franklin H. Pease	10

Commissioner of Insolvency.

Royal Tucker	82
Ezra G. Sargent	83
Charles C. Barnard	80
Benjamin F. Phillips	33
Geo. E. Weil	36
Israel H. Andrews	11
Barnard B. Rickett	10
Cyrus R. Lawrence	11

For Senator. Dist 5.

E. Frank Southwick	87
Geo. E. Hart	47
John H. Perkins	10

For Representative Dist.

Warren J. Cleveland	45
John J. Parkhurst	7
Stephen K. Hooper	03

Attest F. A. Howe } Town Clerk

Boxford November 5th 1889

In pursuant of the legal notice of the town of Boxford, the Selectmen of said town met at the Vestry of the First Church in said Boxford on Tuesday the 13th day of November 1889 in accordance to the letter, see a record of the notice, dated November 5th 1889, for the Senator 5th Essex District and Essex County Commissioner. Petitions for [illegible]

The following report is made by the Selectmen to the Town Clerk at the result of their meeting.

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Bradford, Mass. Nov. 13th, 1889.

The undersigned the Selectmen of Bradford, hereby certify that at a recount of ballots, cast Nov. 5th A.D. 1889, for Senator of Essex District,

Frank Bartlett of Peabody received three votes in the second Precinct, that were not counted by the election officers, on account of improper marking. There was making his total vote ninety instead of eighty seven, returned by election officers of said Town of Bradford.

George D. Hart, of Lynn forty one 41
John F. Perkins, of Lynnfield ten 10

For County Commissioner.

David N. Lowe, of Gloucester, received one vote making his total vote ninety two 92
Grace E. Longfellow of Newbury, thirty eight 38
Samuel Cook of Peabody ten 10

After the recount of ballots they were recorded, and returned to the Town Clerk, as the law directs.

Leon F. Bradford } Selectmen
John Parkhurst } of
Henry Perley } Bradford.

A true copy attest F. A. Howe Town Clerk

1889 Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

November 5th, 1889.

To the Town Clerks in Representative District number seven in the County of Essex.

This Certificate Witnesseth, that at a legal Meeting of the inhabitants of Boxford in Representative District Number seven in the County of Essex, qualified to vote for Civil Officers, holden on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November being the fifth day of said month, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine, for the purpose of giving in their votes for one Representative in the General Court, for said District, all the ballots given in therefor were sorted, counted and recorded, and declaration thereof made, as the law is directed and were for the following persons, namely:-

John Parkhurst, of Boxford	eighty seven 87
James P. Cleveland, of Boxford	eighty five 85
Stephen R. Noyes, of Boxford	three 3

Whole number of votes, one hundred and fifty five.

Attest: George Hardwick, Selectmen
John Parkhurst
Henry Perley, Boxford

1889 Pursuant to a vote of the Commonwealth, the Town Clerks of the four towns comprising the 7th Essex Representative District namely, Boxford, Topsfield, Georgetown and Groveland, met at the Town Clerk's office of Georgetown on the 15th day of November 1889, to ascertain what person was chosen by the above named towns to represent them in the General Court the ensuing year, beginning January 1st 1890, and the Town Clerks furnished, make the following record.

John Parkhurst of Boxford,	had in Georgetown	votes	158
John Parkhurst " "	" in Groveland	votes	122
John Parkhurst " "	" " Topsfield	votes	49
John Parkhurst " "	" " Boxford	votes	87
		Total	416

James P. Cleveland of Boxford	had in Georgetown	votes	137
James P. Cleveland " "	" " Groveland	"	115
James P. Cleveland " "	" " Topsfield	"	57
James P. Cleveland " "	" " Boxford	"	65
		Total	374

John Parkhurst's plurality is 42

Stephen K. Fowler of Boxford,	had in Georgetown	votes	6
Stephen K. Fowler " "	" Groveland	"	10
Stephen K. Fowler " "	" " Topsfield	"	12
Stephen K. Fowler " "	" " Boxford	"	3
		Total	31

Jewel Hufford dispersed had Georgetown votes 1

John Parkhurst has a majority over all of the other candidates of 10 votes.

Attest F. A. Howe } Town Clerk

This is to certify that I have on this 8th day of February 1890 destroyed the ballots that were cast in the two precincts of this town at the State Election held on November 5th 1889

in accordance with the provisions of Chap. 395 Sect. 1 of the Public Statutes approved June 4th 1889. The subscribers, the Selectmen of the Town of Boxford hereby appoint Edward E. Pearl Esq., a suitable person in our judgment to have charge of to cause to be properly interred the body of any honorably discharged soldier, sailor or marine who served in the army or navy of the United States during the late war who may hereafter die in said town of Boxford, without leaving sufficient means to defray general expense.

Lev. T. Chadwick } Selectmen
John Pickard } of
Henry Perley } Boxford

Boxford October 21st 1889.

Attest F. A. Howe } Town Clerk

Boxford, Mass. November 11 1889

To the Clerk of the Town of Boxford.

You will take notice that I have this day filed in the Police Court of Lawrence, a final application for Naturalization.

My age is forty three years. My occupation is carpenter, and my residence is in said Boxford, upon farm, James A. Elliott.

Attest F. A. Howe } Town Clerk

1890 At a legal meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Bofford legally qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs Held in the Vestry of the first parish Church Monday the 3d day of March 1890. The following record was made

Chose John Parkhurst } Moderator (Oath administered by B S Barnes Esq in open town meeting)

Voted That Rev R R Kendall be invited to offer a prayer, and he came forward and united with the people in prayer

Chose F A Howe } Town Clerk (Oath administered by the moderator in open town meeting)

Chose John Parkhurst } 1st Selectman
George W Chadwick } 2d Selectman
George B Austin } 3d Selectman

Voted That the Selectmen shall act as Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

Chose Albert H Towne } Constables
Charles R Anderson }

Chose Edward E Pearl } Treasurer and Collector

Voted to take up Article 3d of the Warrant

Chose Miss Matilda B Lund } School Committee for the term of three years

Resumed Article 2d of the Warrant

Chose Chester Killam } Auditors
John H Nason }

Chose Israel Herrick
Daniel Bixby
Humphrey Perley Senr
Charles R Anderson
Walter I Chadwick
Charles M Moulton } Field Drivers

1890

Chose Israel Herrick
Solomon W Howe
George P Frame
Rufus W Emerson
John Parkhurst
William K Cole
J Horace Nason
John M Pearl
Charles A Andrew
Alden Spofford
} Surveyors of Lumber

Chose John Parkhurst
Elbridge Perley
Israel Herrick
Samuel P Peabody
Solomon W Howe
J Horace Nason
William K Cole
John M Pearl
Warren M Cole
Edward E Pearl
} Surveyors of Wood and Bark

Chose John Parkhurst
George W Chadwick
George B Austin
} Fence Viewers

Chose Henry Moulton
Alden Spofford
} Pound Keepers

Chose S F Ayers } Sealer of Weights and Measures

Voted to take up the 4th Article of the Warrant

Voted to instruct the School Committee to choose a Superintendent of Schools and that the salary of the Superintendent shall be one Hundred Dollars for the years service

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Voted to take up the 5th article of the Warrant

1890

Voted to accept the Report of the Committee on School Funds

" " " 6th Voted to accept the Report of Road Commissioners as amended

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" " " 7th Voted to accept the ~~the~~ Report of the Auditors

" " " 20th Voted that the money refunded on account of the Dog Tax shall be divided equally for the use of the two Public Libraries in town

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" " " 22d Chose Henry Perley } Road Commissioner for the term of three years

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" " " 19th Shall Licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town the year ensuing At the begining of the balloting. the register on the ballot box indicated ooo at the close of balloting the register indicated 26 and upon opening the ballot box it was found to contain 26 ballots 2 yes and 24 No. The check list that was used showed that 26 names had been checked

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" " " 8th Voted that the compensation of town officers for services rendered to the the town shall be the same as was paid last year, as follows. The Treasurer and Collector shall receive One Hundred Dollars. The Superintendent of Schools shall receive One Hundred Dollars. The Road Commissioners Shall be paid two dollars a day while in actual service The pay for the men who are employed to work on the roads and for the teams and impliments

to be used thereon shall be paid for at the same rate as last year as follows; For a man fifteen cents an hour while in actual service and for a yoke of oxen twenty cents an hour, and for a Plow a Cart an Ox Shovel five cents an hour for each one

And while Pathing snow a man shall be allowed twenty cents an hour and for a yoke of oxen twenty cents an hour and for a pair of Horses thirty cents an hour. and it is further moved that in repairing the Highways a single Horse shall be allowed twenty cents an hour and for a pair of Horses thirty cents an hour shall be allowed. That all other bills shall be allowed by the Selectmen except their own bills for services rendered to the town these must be brought before the town to be allowed

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Voted to take up the 28th Article of the Warrant

Voted that the report of the Committee on our fisheries be accepted

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" " " 11th Voted to raise Twelve Hundred Dollars for the repairs and amendments of the Highways and Bridges the ensuing year

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" " " 9th Voted that the same amount be raised for the support of Schools as was raised last year and that the money be expended in the same manner as follows. Voted to raise Fourteen Hundred Dollars for the support of Schools. and that Two Hundred Dollars of this money shall be expended for Musical Instruction in the Schools

(See Record 3d page from here for additional amount)

Voted To raise Two Thousand Dollars to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the town the year ensuing

1890

Voted To pass over the 12th article of the warrant

Voted That the Road Commissioners shall make the roads passable when encumbered with snow

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Voted That the action in regard to the taxes shall be the same as last year, as follows Voted That the taxes shall be committed to the Collector on or before the first day of September next, and that a discount of four pr cent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first day of October and afterwards two pr cent on all taxes paid before the first day of November. And that all taxes shall be collected before the first day of January 1891

Voted That the action in regard to supplying the schools with fuel shall be the same as last year as follows. Voted. That the fuel to be used in the Schools shall be supplied from the Town Farm, and shall be paid for from the Treasury of the town

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Voted That the following list of names of persons presented by the Selectmen for Jurors be accepted as follows.

George B Austin Alvin F Marden
James C Whitney James P Cleaveland
William H Anderson Peter Strout
Stephen K Fowler John W Parkhurst
David M Cole John T Twisden
Charles A Andrew Daniel W Conant
William K Cole Hiram N Towne

Voted That the same action be taken as last year in regard to the Treasurer hireing money in anticipation of taxes as follows. Voted To authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, To hire such amounts of money as may be needed from time to time to pay demands against the town that may be made upon him, In anticipation of the taxes of the ensuing year and payable therefrom

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Voted To raise Five Hundred Dollars to be used in reducing the town debt

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Voted That the town maintain a watering place at School House Number Six

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Voted That Twenty Dollars be expended for repairs on Bald Hill road, leading to the residence of Captain Eben L Hooper

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Voted That the rebinding of the early records, and copying of certain records, belonging to the town shall be left with the Selectmen and Town Clerk to act upon as they may think best. And the Selectmen shall provide a suitable vault of sufficient size to hold the present records and whatever others that may accumulate hereafter. and there shall be built in connection with this vault a building of sufficient size to accommodate the Selectmen and other town officers in holding their meetings, and for such other purposes as may be thought best. The Selectmen shall decide upon the location of the vault and the building connected therewith. The money to defray the expense shall be drawn from the Treasury of the town as may be needed to pay for the construction of the vault and the building.

The Selectmen shall take from the Town Farm as much timber as may be needed and used in the construction of said building

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Voted To abate a tax of $11.01 set to Widow Hannah Spofford in list of 1888 also another tax set to said Widow Hannah Spofford of $11.13 in list of 1889. also a tax of $4.07 set to Dexter Kenney in list of 1889

Voted Not to abate the tax set to William M Andrews in the list of 1889

Voted to take up the 9th Article of the Warrant

Voted to raise One Hundred Dollars in addition to what has already been voted for the support of Schools the ensuing year

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Voted To pass over article 26 of the Warrant

Voted To allow the following bills of charge

John Parkhurst for services as one of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor the past year $75.86

Henry Perley for services as Selectman Assessor and Overseer of the Poor from March 4th 1889 to March 3d 1890 $30.00

Charles A Andrew for labor of two men and pair of Horses 16 hours grading corner of roads near the House of J W Andrew $9.60

George W Chadwick for services preparing a Duplicate copy of the valuation list for the Town of Bofford 1889 For the use of the Secretary of the Commonwealth $10.00

George W Chadwick for cash paid Charles M Moulton for services on the Highway, and for his own services and his Horse & Cart $1.70

George W Chadwick for services as Chairman of the Selectmen Assessors and Overseers of the Poor 114.00

Cash Paid	for printing Assessors Notices	1.25
" " "	" Collectors Tax Book	1.00
" " "	" Car Fare	1.50
" " "	" Justice Fees	1.00
" " "	" Stationery	1.40
" " "	" Postage	67
" " "	" Express	15
" " "	" Seals	10
		$121.07

Voted That the action in regard to the report to be made by the Auditors shall be the same as last year, as follows. Voted, That the Auditors be requested to make out their report of all matters of interest to the town, and cause the report to be printed so that copies of it may be distributed one week before the next annual town meeting is held. also that the Warrant calling the next annual town meeting shall be printed in this report And the Selectmen shall close all accounts on or before February first 1891 and have their Books ready at that time for the Auditors to examine. And it is further moved that the School Committee be requested to make out their report so that it may be inserted in the Auditors report

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Voted That the Selectmen shall cause the Alms House to be painted. and shall have such other repairs made on the House as they may think best

Voted To dissolve this. attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

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At a legal Meeting of legal voters of the town of Bofford legally qualified to vote in town affairs and at elections. Held in the Vestry of the First Parish in said town of Bofford on Monday April 21st 1890. The following record was made

Chose Francis J Stevens } Moderator

Voted To accept the offer made by James A Elliott in open town meeting that he will give to this town a quantity of land from his field near by the First Church, of sufficient size and dimension to build the Selectmen's Office and Town Vault upon, also land enough besides this for a passage way around the building and Vault free and clear of any hindrance whatever. This present shall be accepted from James A Elliott unless the Selectmen decide to locate the Building and Vault on some other ground.

Voted That the Building shall be 30 feet long and 18 feet wide and the posts shall be 8 feet high. And that all other matters pertaining to the construction of this Building and the Vault shall be left discretionary with the Selectmen, and that they may exchange timber from the Town Farm for the lumber needed in construction

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Voted to take up the 4th Article Voted to indefinitely postpone this Article of the Warrant

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Voted to take up Article 3 Voted to change the Precinct Line of this town so that Charles A Stetson shall be in Precinct one instead of Precinct two, substituting the word northerly of the house of Charles A Stetson in describing the Precinct Line instead of southerly. The vote being unanimous

26 votes

Voted to dissolve this meeting

attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

1890

Daniel L Adams of Bofford has this day made application to the Police Court of Lawrence for final papers of Naturalization. Residence Bofford, Age 35. occupation Farmer, Place of Birth Quebec

H F Hopkins } Clerk

Bofford August 14th 1890
A true copy, attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

At a legal meeting of the legal voters of the town of Bofford, legally qualified to vote at elections and in town affairs, Held at the Vestry in the First Parish of said Bofford on the second day of September 1890 the following record was made

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Chose George W Chadwick } Moderator

Voted That the town build a Town Hall

Voted That the town accept from Augustus E Bachelder the land which he has agreed to deed to the town if they will build the Town Hall upon this land, said land being the corner lot known as the Academy lot situated in the First Parish near the 1st Congregational Church.
And also that the town accept of the money that has been subscribed by different individuals to be expended in aiding to build this Town Hall

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Voted To raise One Thousand Dollars to be appropriated and expended in building the Town Hall, in addition to the

amount received from the subscribers who have given to the town their different sums of money to aid in building this Town Hall, also that the sum of money raised by the town and expended by them as a town for this purpose shall not exceed One Thousand Dollars

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Voted That the Selectmen shall be a Committee to build the Town Hall on the land deeded to the town for this purpose by Mr Bachelder, and also that one Committee additional be chosen from each Parish

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Chose Augustus E Bachelder, Edward E Pearl } additional Committee

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Voted That the Treasurer be authorized to hire One Thousand Dollars to carry out the provisions of the vote to build a Town Hall, if it be necessary for him to do so

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Voted To dissolve this meeting

Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

1890

At a legal meeting of the legal voters of the town of Bosford, legally qualified to vote at elections and in town affairs.

Heeld in the Vestry in the first Parish of said town on the 17th day of September 1890 the following record was made

Chose George W Chadwick } Moderator

Voted To rescind that part of the vote passed April 21st 1890 whereby the town voted to build a Vault and building connected therewith for office purposes &c

Voted To lay the 3d article of the Warrant on the table

Voted To take up the 4th article of the Warrant

Voted That the town shall build a Town Heall And they accept from Augustus C Bachelder the land which he has agreed to deed to the town if they will build the Town Heall upon this land. said land being the corner lot known as the Academy lot, situated in the First Parish of said Bosford near the first congregational church. And also that the town accept of the money that has been subscribed by different individuals to be expended in diding to build this Town Heall

Voted To take up the 5th article of the Warrant

Voted To raise One Thousand Dollars to be added to the sum received from the several subscribers, to be appropriated and expended in building this Town Heall

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Voted That the Treasurer be authorized to hire One Thousand Dollars, to carry out the provisions of the vote to build the Town Hall, if it be necessary for him to do so

Voted That the building Committee shall furnish this Town Hall at its completion with appropriate furnishings for occupancy

Voted That the Selectmen shall be a building Committee to build the Town Hall on the land deeded to the town for this purpose by Mr Bachelder, and also that one additional Committee be chosen from each Parish

Chose F A Howe, Edward E Pearl } Additional Committee

Voted To take up the 3d article of the Warrant

Voted To rescind all votes that were passed at the meeting held September 2d 1890 in relation to the building of a Town Hall

Voted That this meeting be dissolved

attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

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Precinct Officers

Precinct 1

John Parkhurst } Election Wardens
Stephen A Bixby

S Frank Ayers } Inspectors of Election
Fred E Gillis

Samuel A Frye } Deputy Inspector of Elections
Daniel W Conant

Francis J Stevens } Clerk

Precinct 2

George W Chadwick } Election Wardens
William K Cole

Warren M Cole } Inspectors of Elections
Morris L Cole

George B Austin } Deputy Inspectors of Elections
Walter I Chadwick

James H Webster } Clerk

Appointed October 11th 1890
for the year ensuing

Geo W Chadwick } Selectmen of Bosford
John Parkhurst
Geo B Austin

A true copy attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

1890

To the Town Clerk of Oxford.
At a legal meeting of the voters of the first precinct of said Town held Nov 4th 1890 the vote was as follows.
Whole number of votes seventy eight (78)

For Governor

John D. A. Brackett of Arlington forty five (45)
William E. Russell of Cambridge twenty five (25)
John Blackmer of Springfield five (5)
Blanks two (3)

For Lieutenant Governor

William H. Haile of Springfield forty eight (48)
John H Coveran of Clinton twenty five (25)
George Kempton of Sharon five (5)
Blanks two (2)

For Secretary

William H. Olin of Boston forty six (46)
Elbridge Cushman of Lakeville twenty one (21)
George D. Crittenden of Buckland five (5)
Blanks (6)

For Treasurer and receiver general

George A. Marden of Lowell forty five (45)
Edwin G. Munn of Holyoke twenty one (21)
William H. Gleason of Boston six (6)
Blanks (6)

For Auditor

Charles R. Ladd of Springfield thirty seven (37)
William D. S. Tufts of Marblehead twenty one 21)
Augustus R. Smith of Lee five (5)
Blanks (15)

For Attorney General

Albert E. Pillsbury of Boston forty six (46)
Elisha B. Maynard of Springfield twenty 20
Wallcott Hamlin of Amherst five (5)
Blanks (7)

For Representatives to congress Seventh district.

William Cogswell of Salem forty five (45)

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Jonas H French of Gloucester Twenty five (25)
Jacob F Spalding of Salisbury Three (3)
Blanks (5)

For Councillor Fifth district

Moses How of Haverhill forty five (45)
Joseph S. Appleton of Salem Twenty one (21)
Sidney Perley of Salem Six (6)
Blanks (6)

For County Commissioner.

John W. Raymond of Beverly forty four (44)
Horace S Longfellow of Newbury Twenty four (24)
Samuel C Pease of Merrimac five (5)
Blanks (5)

For Senator fifth district

B. Frank Southwick of Peabody forty eight (48)
John H Sutton of North Andover Seventeen (17)
J Winslow Perkins of Lynnfield Six (6)
Blanks (7)

For Representative in General Court seventh Essex district.

Charles W. Nelson of Georgetown thirty nine (39)
Samuel N Curtis of Georgetown thirty two (32)
Blanks seven (7)

Amendment to the constitution to prevent the disfranchisement of voters because a change of residence within the commonwealth

Yes Twenty seven (27)
No twelve (12)
Blanks thirty nine (39)

Amendment to the constitution relative to soldiers and sailors exercising the right of franchise

Yes thirty (30)
No five (5)
Blanks (43)

The polls were opened and the warrant read by John Parkhurst Warden at quarter past Ten o clock in the forenoon and closed at quarter past

two in the afternoon.

The Register indicated at opening: 000
At close of the polls the register indicated (78)
The check list indicated seventy eight (78)
Whole numbers of votes " " (78)

attest

Francis J Stevens Clerk 1st precinct

A true copy attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

Boxford Mass Nov 4th 1890

To the Town Clerk of Boxford Mr F A Howe

This may certify that pursuant to a Warrant calling the inhabitants of Boxford in Precinct two (2) qualified to vote as the law directs assembled at the time and place and for the purpose thereon expressed.
At ten Oclock and fifteen minuts (10–15) the warrant calling the meeting was read by the warden who then publicly opened the ballot box and the same having been personaly examined by the election officers and the public was found to be empty. The Ballot Box was immediately locked the register indicating 000; and the key of the box was taken and retained by Charles R Anderson the Constable in attendance. The Warden then called upon the inhabitants of said precinct qualified by law to vote to give in their ballots for the purpose expressed in said warrant; The ballot box remained locked while the polls were open. At two Oclock and twenty minuts (2.20 Oclock) the polls were closed, The ballot box was found to register sixty one (61), The officer in charge of the check list in the presence of the officers and the public

counted in a distinct and audible voice the names checked on said list announced the whole number to be sixty one (61) the ballot box without being removed from the public view was then opened by the Warden the Ballots were taken therefrom and audibly counted one by one, and the warden publicly announced the whole number to be sixty one (61)

The precinct Officers then proceeded to count the number of votes received by each person voted for with the following result

Total number of votes for Governor
Sixty one 61
John Blackmer of Springfield Prohibition
Three 3
John Q. A. Brackett of Arlington Republican
Thirty Eight 38
William E. Russell of Cambridge Democratic
Twenty 20
Blanks.

Total number of votes for Lieutenant Governor
Sixty one 61
John W. Corcoran of Clinton Democratic
Twenty 20
William H. Haile of Springfield Republica-
Thirty eight 38
George Kempton of Saron Prohibition
Two 2
Blanks 1

Total number of votes for Secretary
Sixty one 61
George D. Crittenden of Buckland Prohibition
Three 3
Elbridge Cushman of Lakeville Democratic
nineteen 19

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William M Olin of Boston Republican
Thirty nine 39
Blanks

Total numbers of votes for Treasurer and Receiver General
Sixty one 61
William H Gleason of Boston Prohibition
Three 3
George A Marden of Lowell Republican
Thirty seven 37
Edwin A Mann of Holyoke Democratic
Twenty one 21
Blanks

Total numbers of votes for Auditor
Sixty one 61 Non paper
Charles R Ladd of Springfield Republican votes
Thirty three 33
Augustus R Smith of Lee Prohibition
Three 3
William D. T. Trefry of Marblehead Democratic
Nineteen 19
Blanks Six 6

Total number of votes for Attorney General
Sixty one 61
Walcott Hamlin of Amherst Prohibition
Three 3
Elisha B Maynard of Springfield Democratic
Twenty 20
Albert E. Pillsbury of Boston Republican
Thirty Seven 37
Blanks 1

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7th Dist) Total number of votes for Representive in Congress
sixty one 61
William Cogswell of Salem Republican
Thirty six 36
Jonas H. Kench of Gloucester Democratic
Twenty one 21
Jacob F. Spalding of Salisbury Prohibition
Two 2
Blanks 2

Fifth Dist Total number of votes for Councillor
Sixty one 61
Joseph F Appleton of Salem Democratic
Twenty one 21
Moses How of Haverhill Republican
Thirty six 36
Sidney Perley of Salem Prohibition
Four 4
Blanks

Total number of votes for County Commissioner
Sixty one 61
Horace F. Longfellow of Newbury Democratic
Twenty two 22
Samuel C. Pease of Merrimac Prohibition
one 1
John W Raymond of Beverly Republican
Thirty six 36
Blanks two 2

Total number of votes for Senator Fifth Essex Dist
Sixty one 61
J Winslow Perkins of Lynnfield Prohibition
Two 2
B F Northrup of Peabody Republican
Thirty eight 38

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John H Sutton of North Andover Democratic
Twenty one (21)
Blanks

Total number of votes for Representative in General Court
Sixty one 61
Samuel N Curtis of Georgetown Democratic
Twenty five 25
Charles H Nelson of Georgetown Republican
Thirty six 36
Blanks

Amendment to the Constitution to prevent the disfranchisement of voters because of a change of residence within the Commonwealth.
nineteen Yes 19
Eleven No 11
Blanks Thirty one 31

Amendment to the Constitution relative to Soldiers and Sailors exercising the right of Franchise
nineteen Yes 19
Eleven No 11
Blanks Thirty five 35

This may certify that this is true statement of the votes given this day in Precinct 2 Boxford Nov 4th 1890
a true copy
attest James H Webster
Clerk of Precinct
2 Boxford

A true copy attest F A Howe } Town clerk

1890

The following record is the total vote of the two Precincts of the town of Boxford cast for State County and District Officers at the Election held November 4th 1890 The meeting for Precinct 1 being held at the Vestry in the 1st Parish and the meeting for Precinct 2 being held at the Vestry in the 2d Parish

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Governor

John Blackmer of Springfield	8
John L A Brackett of Arlington	83
William E Russell of Cambridge	45
Blanks	3

Lieutenant Governor

John W Corcoran of Clinton	45
William H Haile of Springfield	86
George Kempton of Sharon	7
Blanks	3

Secretary

George D Crittenden of Buckland	8
Elbridge Cushman of Lakeville	40
William M Olin of Boston	85
Blanks	6

Treasurer and Receiver General

William H Gleason of Boston	9
George A Marden of Lowell	82
Edwin L Munn of Holyoke	42
Blanks	6

Auditor

Charles R Ladd of Springfield	70
Augustus R Smith of Lee	8
William D T Trefry of Marblehead	40
Blanks	21

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Attorney General

Walcott Hamlin of Amherst	8
Elisha B Maynard of Springfield	40
Albert E Pillsbury of Boston	83
Blanks	8

Representative to Congress 7th District

William Cogswell of Salem	81
Jonas H French of Gloucester	46
Jacob F Spalding of Salisbury	5
Blanks	7

Councillor 5th District

Joseph F Appleton of Salem	42
Moses How of Haverhill	81
Sidney Perley of Salem	10
Blanks	6

County Commissioner

Horace F Longfellow of Newbury	46
Samuel C Pease of Merrimac	6
John W Raymond of Beverly	80
Blanks	7

Senator 5th Essex District

J Winslow Perkins of Lynnfield	8
B Frank Southwick of Peabody	86
John H Sutton of North Andover	38
Blanks	7

Representative in General Court
7th Essex District

Samuel N Curtis of Georgetown	57
Charles W Nelson of Georgetown	75
Blanks	7

Amendment to the Constitution to prevent the disfranchisement of voters because of a

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change of residence within the Commonwealth
(Yes 46) (No 23) (Blanks 70)

Amendment to the Constitution in relation to soldiers and saliors exercising the right of franchise
(Yes 49) (No 16) (Blanks 78)

Attest F A Howe ~~Town~~ Clerk

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Nov fourth 1890

To the Town Clerks in Representative District Number Seventh in the county of Essex
This Certificate Witnesseth, That at legal meetings of the Inhabitants of Boxford in Representative District Number Seven in the county of Essex qualified to vote for State Officers, holden on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November being the fourth day of said month in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety, for the purpose of giving in their votes for a Representative in the General Court, for said District, all the ballots given in therefor were sorted, counted and recorded, and declaration thereof made, as by law is directed, and were for the following persons namely:

Charles H Nelson of Georgetown Seventy five
Samuel N Curtis of Georgetown Fifty Seven
Blanks Seven

Whole number of Ballots One hundred and thirty nine

Geo A Chadwick } Selectmen
John Parkhurst } ~~As~~ Wardens of Boxford

1890

In accordance with Law the Town Clerks of Groveland, Georgetown Boxford and Topsfield met at the Town Clerks Office in Georgetown on Friday November 14th 1890, to canvass the votes that were cast in these Towns on November 4th 1890 for a Representative to General Court from the 7th Essex District and the following is the result

Samuel N Curtis of Georgetown

Had in Topsfield	votes		52
" " Boxford	"		57
" " Groveland	"		171
" " Georgetown	"		219
			499

Charles W Nelson of Georgetown

Had in Topsfield	votes	59	
" " Boxford	"	75	
" " Groveland	"	136	
" " Georgetown	"	189	459
Samuel N Curtis, Plurality		is	40

Horace Ray of Topsfield
Had in Topsfield votes 7
John Munroe of Georgetown
Had in Georgetown votes 1

Samuel N Curtis has a majority over all of 32.

Attest F A Howe } Town clerk

This may certify that I have on this 28th day of February 1891. destroyed the Ballots that were cast in the two precincts for state and district offices on November 4th 1890 F A Howe } Town clerk

1891

At a legal meeting of the legal voters of Boxford held in the Vestry of the second Parish of said town of Boxford on monday March 2d 1891. it being the annual town meeting of the Inhabitants legally qualified to vote at elections and in town affairs. The following record was made

Chose William K Cole } Moderator — Oath administered by Edward E Pearl Esq in open town meeting

Chose F A Howe } Town Clerk — Oath administered by the Moderator in open town meeting

Voted That the Rev C L Hubbard be invited to offer a prayer and he came forward and united with the people in prayer

Chose George W Chadwick } 1st Selectman
" John Parkhurst } 2d " " " "
" Rufus W Emerson } 3d " " " "

Voted That the election of Assessors and Overseers of the Poor be indefinitely postponed thereby constituting the Selectmen a board of Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

Chose Albert H Towne, Charles R Anderson } Constables

Chose Edward E Pearl } Treasurer & Collector

Voted to take up Article 3

Chose Edward E Pearl } School Committee for term of 2 years
" " Francis J Stevens } School Committee for term of 3 years

Voted to take up Article 2

Chose Chester Killam, John H Nason } Auditors

Voted to take up Article 6

Voted to accept the Report of the Auditors

1891

Voted To adjourn the meeting the space of one half hours time, after which the meeting assembled and proceeded to business

Voted to take up Article 22 Voted that the Assessors shall take a valuation of the Real Estate in town the ensuing year

Voted to take up Article 2 Chose Deacon Joseph H James
William M Andrews
Henry Moulton
Charles B Carleton
Charles Perley
James H Webster
} Field Drivers

Chose Israel Herrick
John Parkhurst
George P Frame
Solomon W Howe
Rufus W Emerson
J Horace Nason
Warren M Cole
John Myron Pearl
Isaac C Day
John T Wood
} Surveyors of Lumber

Chose L B Tidd
Israel Herrick
George P Frame
Solomon W Howe
Alvin F Marden
John T Wood
J Horace Nason
George A Harriman
Warren M Cole
John M Pearl
} Surveyors of Wood and Bark

1891

Voted That the Selectmen shall act as Fence Viewers the ensuing year

Chose Henry Moulton } Pound Keeper
" George A Harriman }

Voted That the Selectmen shall appoint a Sealer of Weights and Measures

Voted to take up Article 4 Voted to instruct the School Committee to choose a Superintendent of Schools

Voted to take up Article 5 Voted to accept the Report of the Committee on School Funds

Voted to take up Article 7 Voted that the Compensation of town Officers for services rendered to the town shall be the same as was paid last year, as follows. The Treasurer and Collector shall receive One Hundred Dollars. The Superintendent of Schools shall receive One Hundred Dollars. The Road Commissioners shall be paid two dollars a day while in actual service. The pay for the men whom they employ to work on the roads, and for the teams and implements to be used thereon, shall be paid for at the same rate as was paid last year as follows. For a man fifteen cents an hour while in actual service, and for a yoke of Oxen twenty cents an hour, and for a Plow a Cart, an Ox Shovel five cents an hour for each one. And while Pathing Snow a man shall be allowed twenty cents an hour, and for a yoke of Oxen twenty cents an hour and for a pair of Horses thirty cents an hour And it is further moved that in repairing the Highways there shall be allowed for a

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Voted 8th To raise Fifteen Hundred Dollars for the Support of Schools the ensuing year, same amount as last year and to be expended in the same manner, namely Two Hundred Dollars of this money shall be expended for musical instruction in the schools

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Voted 9th To raise Three Thousand Dollars to defray the expenses of the town the ensuing year

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Voted 10th To raise One Thousand Dollars to be expended in repairs upon the Highways and Bridges the ensuing year

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Voted 11th To pass over Article eleven of the Warrant

12th Voted That the taxes shall be committed to the Collector same as last year, as follows. Voted That the taxes shall be committed to the Collector on or before the first day of September next and that a discount of four pr cent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first day of October, and afterward two pr cent on all taxes paid before the first day of November, and that all taxes shall be collected before the first day of January 1892

13th Voted That the fuel to be used in the Schools the ensuing year shall be taken from the town farm and shall be paid for from the money raised for the support of Schools the ensuing year

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14th Voted To accept the following list of names of persons as being suitable for jurors

Charles F Austin	James P Cleaveland
William H Anderson	Daniel W Conant
David M Cole	Hiram N Towne
George W Chadwick	John W Parkhurst
Charles Perley	John T Twisden
Edward E Pearl	Alvin F Marden
John T Wood	Fred E Gillis

15th Voted That the action of the town in allowing the Treasurer to hire money for the town be the same as last year, as follows. Voted to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire such amounts of money as may be needed from time to time to pay demands against the town that may be made upon him. In anticipation of the taxes of the ensuing year and payable therefrom

1891

Voted 16th To lay Article Sixteen of the Warrant on the table

Voted 17th To lay Article seventeen of the Warrant on the table

Voted 18th That the money that is refunded to the town on account of Dog Tax shall be divided equally with and for the two libraries in town

Voted 19th To pass over the nineteenth article of the Warrant

Chose 20th J Warren Chadwick } Road Commissioner for the term of three years

Voted 21st To expend Twenty Dollars in repairing Bald Hill road

Voted 23d To allow the following bills of charge,

Geo W Chadwick services as one of the Selectmen Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year and perambulating town lines	110.00
To cash paid for car fare	4.84
" " " " "	1.15
" " " Postage	1.06
" " " Justice fees	1.00
" " " Express	45
Conveyance of Stephen W Bailey to Hospital	1.50
	120.00

George B Austin services as one of the Selectmen Assessor and Overseer of the Poor	30.00
Perambulating town lines	5.00
	35.00

John Parkhurst services as one of the Selectmen Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year	78.65

1891

Geo A Harriman, Extra labor and Material on Highway 145.13

Thomas Hill for boarding Thomas Clemment from March 22d 1890 to April 23d 1890 $6.00

Voted That Geo. A Harrimans, Bill for pathing snow amounting to $7.50 be referred to the incoming board of Selectmen

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Voted to take up Article 2

Voted to choose two additional Assessors to assist in taking the valuation of Real Estate in town the year ensuing. (and immediately reconsidered the) vote

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Voted to take up Article 5

Voted to accept the Statement verbally made by the Road Commissioners that the Guide Posts & Boards in town are in the same condition as they were in last year, as their report for the year 1890

Voted to take up Article 17

Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town the ensuing year. The Ballot Box was examined and found to be empty it was then locked and the register was set at 000. after all the people had voted who wished to. The Register indicated 55. upon opening the Ballot Box it was found to contain but 54 Ballots as follows (yes 24) (No 30)

Voted to take up Article 24

Voted that the Town Clerk shall procure a book in which he shall enter all matters of interest relating to any and all of the noted trees in town. giving a history

of each one as he may be able to get information concerning them. also that a record be made concerning all the ornamental trees that may be set out by Societies & Schools, or Individuals in the Highways. or any trees in the Highway that may be secured and held as ornamental trees

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Voted That the Assessors shall when they have finished taking the valuation of the Real Estate in town, cause their work to be printed in book form and distributed

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Voted To dissolve this meeting

Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

1891

Precinct Officers

Precinct one

John Parkhurst
Rufus W Emerson } Wardens

Stephen A Bixby
Fred E Gillis } Inspectors Elections

Daniel W Conant
Samuel A Frye } Deputy Inspectors Elections

Francis J Stevens } Precinct clerk

Precinct 2

George W Chadwick
William K Cole } Wardens

Warren M Cole
Edward E Pearl } Inspectors Elections

George B Austin
Walter I Chadwick } Deputy Inspector Elections

James H Webster } Precinct clerk

Bofford October 21st 1891

George W Chadwick
John Parkhurst } Selectmen Bofford

Attest F A Howe } Town clerk

To the Town Clerk of the Town of Bedford.
Agreeably to the enclosed warrant the voters of the 1st precinct of Bedford were called to order at the time specified in the warrant and at the close the vote was declared as follows.

Vote number of votes 96

For Governor.

Charles H. Allen of Lowell,	sixty one	51
Charles E. Kimball of Lynn	eight	8
Henry A. Robinson of Boston	none	0
William E. Russell of Cambridge	twenty seven	27
Henry Winn of Lexington	none	0
Blanks	two	2

For Lieutenant Governor.

John H. Corcoran of Milton	twenty seven	27
Wm H. Haile of Springfield	sixty	60
Jesse R. Pease of Lynn	none	0
William Shields of Boston	none	0
Augustus R. Smith of Lee	eight	8
Blank		1

Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Joseph D. Cable of Westfield	none	0
Albridge Cushman of Lakeville	twenty four	24
William M. Olin of Boston	sixty	57
Fred W. Richardson of Springfield	one	1
Edward W. Theinert of Holyoke	none	0
Blanks	four	4

Treasurer and Receiver General.

Charles Friede of Boston	none	0
James H. Grinnell of Greenfield	twenty six	26
George D. Marden of Lowell	fifty two	52
Samuel B. Shaflight of Boston	one	1
Thomas D. Hatson of Braintree	one	1
Blanks	three	3

1871.

Auditor.

William Armstrong	of Boston	six	6
Levi S. Gambell	of Fitchburg	fifty	50
Spencer E. Putney	of Somerville	none	0
[illegible]	of Hubbardston	twenty-three	23
William D. Wakefield	of Lynn	none	0
Blanks		seven	7

Attorney General.

Josiah Hamlin	of Amherst	seven	7
Herbert Nicholson	of Worcester	none	0
Albert E. Pillsbury	of Boston	fifty	50
George M. Stearns	of Medford	twenty-three	23
Charles Spalding	of Boston	none	0
Blanks		six	6

Councillor — fifth district.

George F. Hutchinson	of Rockport	twenty-two	22
Moses Kimball	of Haverhill	fifty	50
Samuel Trask	of Peabody	seven	7
Blanks		seven	7

Clerk of the Courts, Essex.

David B. Kimball	of Salem	twenty-four	24
Moses Perkins	of Lynn	fifty	50
Sidney Perley	of Salem	five	5
Blanks		seven	7

County Commissioner, Essex.

Edward B. Phillips	of Danvers	twenty-four	24
William S. Tucker	of Salem	twenty-one	21
Samuel C. Cook	of Newburyport	six	6
Blanks		eleven	11

County Treasurer, Essex.

Joseph S. Rowe	of Haverhill	twenty-one	21
H. Randall Jenkins	of Andover	fifty-one	51
Benjamin Brown	of Lynn	six	6
Blanks		eight	

Register of Deeds — Southern Worcester district.

Jacob T. Clarke	of Hopkinton	eight	1
Charles B. Coyord	of Bolton	fifty-one	51
Blanks		nineteen	19

Senator fifth Worcester district.

Daniel N. Crowley	of Hopkinton	twelve	12
Andrew H. Tatch	of Hopkinton	two	2
B. Frank Boutwell	of Westborough	fifty-two	52
Oliver D. Graham	of Grafton	one	1
Blanks		sixteen	16

Representative in Congress, 2nd Worcester district.

Calvin H. George	of Grafton	fifty	50
Edgar W. Nye	of Grafton	twenty	20
Oliver H. Ely	of Grafton	one	1
Blanks		fifteen	15

First proposed amendment to the constitution relating to suffrage

Yes	sixteen	16
No	forty-three	43
Blanks	twenty-eight	28

2nd proposed amendment to the Constitution relating to governor in Council.

Yes	thirty-one	31
No	seventeen	17
Blanks	thirty-six	36

A true record
Attest

Francis J. Blood
Clerk of Council

Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

Ballot Box of Commonwealth.
Second & Third Wards of Roxbury.

The Warden calling that at a meeting called by the Selectmen to be opened on the 3d Ward day of November A.D. 1871, to be opened at 10 15 o'clock and to be closed at 2 15, for the purpose of the legal inhabitants qualified to vote in Precinct 2 in said ward, for the following offices.
(Polls closed at 2.30)

For Governor of the Commonwealth.

Total number of votes cast fifty three			53
Charles Hall	of Lowell	Citizens	34
Charles G. Kimball	of Lynn	none	0
Henry S. Robinson	of Boston	none	0
Nathan A. Russell	of Springfield	Citizens	16
Henry Dawes	of Pittsfield	none	0
Blanks		Three	3

For Lieutenant Governor.

Total number of votes cast fifty three			53
John D. Long	of Hingham	Citizens	14
William H. Wells	of Springfield	Citizens	33
George F. Ellis	of Lynn	none	0
William S. Shurtleff	of Boston	none	0
Benjamin F. Smith	of Lee	none	1
Blanks		five	5

For Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Total number of votes cast fifty three			53
Josiah G. Abbott	of Westfield	none	0
Albridge W. Ashman	of Fitchburg	Citizens	16
William M. Cole	of Boston	Citizens	33
Alfred A. Richardson	of Springfield	none	1
Edward H. Trimont	of Holyoke	none	0
Blanks		three	3

1871.

For Treasurer and Receiver General

Total number of votes cast		fifty three	53
Charles Fridge	of Boston	none	0
George B. Kimball	of Hamilton	fifteen	15
George W. Warden	of Lowell	thirty three	23
Samuel B. Griffin	of Boston	one	1
Thomas W. Stetson	of Braintree	none	0
Blanks		four	4

For Auditor

Total number of votes cast		fifty three	53
William Armstrong	of Boston	two	2
John H. Kimball	of Fitchburg	thirty one	31
George E. Fahey	of Somerville	none	0
William L. Foster	of Springfield	fifteen	15
William B. Wakefield	of Lynn	none	0
Blanks		five	5

For Attorney General

Total number of votes cast		fifty three	53
Robert Hamlin	of Springfield	two	2
Robert Ingersoll	of Lowell	none	0
Albert E. Pillsbury	of Boston	thirty	30
George M. Stearns	of Chicopee	sixteen	16
James Kidder	of Boston	none	0
Blank		three	3

For Councillors, Fifth District

Total number of votes cast		fifty three	53
George F. Fairchild	of Westfield	sixteen	16
Lewis Tower	of Greenfield	thirty two	32
Samuel Lamb	of Sunderland	one	1
Blanks		four	4

For Clerk of Senate Court

Total number of votes cast		fifty three	53
David B. Kimball	of Dedham	one	1
Dean Peabody	of Boston	two thirds	2
Sidney Perley	of Salem	one	1
Blanks		one	1

1871.

For County Commissioner Essex.

Total number of votes cast		fifty three	53
Edward B. Bishop	of Haverhill	thirty three	33
William S. Lord	of Salem	twelve	12
Samuel C. Pease	of Merrimac	three	3
Blanks		five	5

For County Treasurer Essex.

Total number of votes cast		fifty three	53
Joseph S. Howe	of Methuen	seventeen	17
C. Kendall Jenkins	of Andover	twenty nine	29
Robert Brown	of Lynn	one	1
Blanks		six	6

For Register of Deeds southern Dist.

Total number of votes cast		fifty three	53
Jacob T. Choate	of Amesbury	one	1
Charles B. Osgood	of Salem	thirty eight	38
Blanks		fourteen	14

For Senator — Fifth Essex District.

Total number of votes cast		fifty three	53
Daniel K. Crowley	of Danvers	fourteen	14
Andrew H. Paton	of Danvers	none	0
B. Frank Southwick	of Peabody	thirty two	32
Blanks		seven	7

For Representative in General Court. 7th Dist.

Total number of votes cast		fifty three	53
Alvin H. George	of Groveland	thirty one	31
Edgar A. Howe	of Groveland	fifteen	15
Blanks		seven	7

For Amendment to the Constitution

Shall the proposed Amendment of the Constitution relative to the qualification of voters for Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Senators, and Representatives, be approved and ratified?

1871.

Total number of votes cast	fifty three	53
Yes	seventeen	17
No	twelve	12
Blanks	twenty four	24

Shall the proposed amendment to the Constitution making a majority of numbers a quorum in each branch of the General Court be referred and ratified?

Total number of votes cast	fifty three	53
Yes	seventeen	17
No	ten	10
Blanks	twenty six	26

This may certify that the within is a true record. The votes being counted, declared in open Precinct. The meeting dissolved.

James H. Webster
Clerk of Precinct 2 - Bedford.

Bedford Nov. 3, 1871.

Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

1891

The following record is the total vote of the two Precincts of the town of Bosford cast for State County & District Officers. at the Election held November 3d 1891.
The meeting for Precinct 1 being held at the Town Hall. The meeting for Precinct 2 being held at the Vestry in the Second Parish

Governor

Charles H Allen	of Lowell	85
Charles E Kimball	of Lynn	6
Harry W Robinson	of Boston	none
William E Russell	of Cambridge	43
Henry Winn	of Malden	none

Lieutenant Governor

John W Corcoran	of Clinton	41
William H Haile	of Springfield	83
George R Pease	of Lynn	none
William J Shields	of Boston	none
Augustus R Smith	of Lee	9

Secretary of the Commonwealth

Joseph D Cable	of Westfield	none
Elbridge Cushman	of Lakeville	40
William M Olin	of Boston	84
Alfred W Richardson	of Springfield	8
Edward W Theinert	of Holyoke	none

Treasurer and Receiver General

Charles Friede	of Boston	none
James S Grinnell	of Greenfield	39
George A Marden	of Lowell	85
Samuel B Shapleigh	of Boston	8
Thomas A Watson	of Braintree	none

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Auditor

William O Armstrong	of Boston	8
John W Kimball	of Fitchburg	81
Squire E Putney	of Somerville	none
William D T Trefry	of Marblehead	38
William O Wakefield	of Lynn	none

Attorney General

Walcott Hamlin	of Amherst	9
Herbert McIntosh	of Worcester	none
Albert E Pillsbury	of Boston	82
George M Stearns	of Chicopee	39
James Waldock	of Boston	none

Councillor 5th District

George W Blatchford	of Rockport	38
Moses How	of Haverhill	82
Samuel Trask	of Peabody	8

Clerk of Courts Essex County

David B Kimball	of Salem	41
Dean Peabody	of Lynn	78
Sidney Perley	of Salem	9

County Commissioner

Edward B Bishop	of Haverhill	81
William S Lord	of Salem	33
Samuel C Pease	of Merrimac	9

County Treasurer

Joseph S Howe	of Methuen	38
E Kendall Jenkins	of Andover	80
Sebino Snow	of Lynn	7

Register of Deeds Southern Essex District

Jacob T Choate	of Amesbury	9
Charles S Osgood	of Salem	97

1891

Senator 5th Essex District

Daniel N Crowley	of Danvers	26
Andrew H Paton	of Danvers	2
B Frank Southwick	of Peabody	84
Abner D Gorham	of Wenham	1

Representative in General Court 7th Essex District

Edwin H George	of Groveland	81
Edgar A Kimby	of Groveland	35
Allen Hardy	of Groveland	1

Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

This may certify that I have on this first day of February 1892 destroyed the Ballots that were cast at the State Election in the two Precincts of this town on November 3d 1891 for State County and District Officers

Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

1891

At a meeting of the Clerks of the 7th Essex Representative District, comprising the towns of Boxford, Topsfield, Groveland and Georgetown, held at the Town Clerks Office of said Georgetown on November 13th 1891 to ascertain who was chosen to represent this district in the General Court during the year 1892, and the result is as follows

Edwin H George	had in	Georgetown, Votes	215
Edwin H George	"	" Groveland "	173
Edwin H George	"	" Topsfield "	78
Edwin H George	"	" Boxford "	81
			547

Edgar A Knox	"	" Georgetown "	180
Edgar A Knox	"	" Groveland "	229
Edgar A Knox	"	" Topsfield "	40
Edgar A Knox	"	" Boxford "	35
			484

Edwin H George has a plurality of 63

Allen Hardy had in Boxford Votes one

Edwin H George majority is 62

Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

1892

At a legal meeting of the legal Voters of the town of Boyford held in the Town Hall of said Boyford on Monday the 7th day of march 1892 it being the annual Town Meeting of the Inhabitants qualified by law to vote at Elections and in town affairs the following record was made

Chose Israel A Herrick } Moderator
Oath Administered by John Parkhurst Esq in open Town Meeting

Chose F A Howe } Town Clerk
Oath Administered by E E Pearl Esq in open Town Meeting

Voted That the Rev Wm P Alcott be invited to offer a Prayer and he came forward and united with the people in Prayer

Chose Rufus W Emerson } First Selectman
Isaac C Day } Second " "
George B Austin } Third " "

Voted That the Selectmen shall be the Board of Assessors of Taxes and Overseers of the Poor the ensuing year

Chose Elbridge Perley
Charles F Austin } Constables

Chose E E Pearl } Treasurer

Chose George B Parkhurst
William K Cole } Auditors

Chose Henry Perley
George B Parkhurst
Daniel A Conant } Field Drivers

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Chose John G Chandler
J Warren Chadwick
Charles A Andrew } Field Drivers

Chose Israel Herrick
Rufus W Emerson
Solomon W Howe
A G Hurlbutt
John Parkhurst
Gardner S Mosse
J Horace Nason
John M Pearl
Warren M Cole
Isaac C Day } Surveyors of Lumber

Chose Hiram N Towne
Chester Killam
Charles A Stetson
John W Parkhurst
Samuel P Peabody
George A Harriman
John M Pearl
J Horace Nason
John T Wood
Warren M Cole } Surveyors of Wood & Bark

Voted to take up article 19 Chose Stephen A Bixby } Road Commissioner For the term of three Years

Voted to take up article 3 Chose Chester Killam } School Committee For the term of three years

" " 4 Voted That the School Committe be instructed not to choose a Superintendent of Schools

Voted To adjourn the meeting for the space of thirty minutes time

1892

The Town reassembled at the expiration of the thirty minutes and proceeded to business

Voted to take up Article 2 Chose E E Pearl } Collector of Taxes

Article 5 Voted to accept the report of the Committee on School Funds

Voted That the Road Commissioners be requested to make out a report of the present condition of the Guide Posts and Boards in town, and present their report at the next town meeting that may be held

Voted To accept the Report of the Town Clerk

Voted To accept the Report of the Committee on building Town Hall

Voted That the outgoing Board of Overseers of the Poor be allowed to recommend to the incoming board that some improvements be made at the Alms House this year and Mr Chadwick and Mr Parkhurst signed a statement that they recommend that the Alms House be painted and that the Wood Shed be shingled

Voted That the Selectmen shall be the Fence viewers

Voted to take up Article 2 Chose Henry Moulton } Pound Keep.
Alden Spofford }

Voted That the Selectmen shall appoint a sealer of weights and Measures

1892

Took Art 6 Voted to accept the Report of the Auditors

Voted 7 That the action of last year in regard to the compensation of Town Officers shall be adopted this year, with the exception of Superintendent of Schools, as follows The Treasurer and Collector shall receive one Hundred Dollars. The Road Commissioners shall be paid Two Dollars a day while in actual service, The pay for the men whom they employ to work on the roads, and for the teams and implements to be used thereon, shall be paid at the same rate as was paid last year as follows, For a man 15 cents an hour while in actual service, and for a yoke of Oxen 20 cents an hour and for a Plow a Cart an Ox Shovel 5 cents an hour for each one. And while pathing Snow a man shall be allowed 20 cents an hour and for a yoke of oxen 20 cents an hour and for a pair of Horses 30 cents an hour. It is further moved that in repairing the Highways there shall be allowed for a single Horse 20 cents an hour and for a pair of Horses 30 cents an hour shall be allowed. That all other Bills shall be allowed by the Selectmen, except their own bills for services rendered to the town, These bills must be brought before the town to be allowed. And it is further moved that the Road Commissioners shall at the end or close of each months work, hand in to the selectmen a detailed account of all the work done on the roads during the month, How many men were employed, the amount paid to each man, also the amount of money paid for repairs on the Road Machine, and all other matters needed in a detailed account

And the Road Commissioners shall not expend more money than the town has appropriated for them until they consult the Selectmen and get their permission to do so.

Voted 8 That the same amount of money be raised for the support of Schools as was raised last year and expended in the same manner namely, Voted to raise Fifteen Hundred Dollars for the support of the Town Schools the ensuing year, and that Two Hundred Dollars of this money shall be expended for Musical Instruction in the said Schools

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Voted 9 To raise Three Thousand Dollars to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the town the year ensuing

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Voted 10 To raise One Thousand Dollars to expend for the repairs and amendments of the Highways and Bridges the ensuing year

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Voted 11 That the Road Commissioners shall act as they think best in regard to making the roads passable when encumbered with snow

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Voted 12 That the Taxes shall be committed to the Collector the same as last year as follows, Voted That the taxes shall be committed to the Collector on or before the first day of September next, and that a discount of four pr cent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first day of October and afterwards two pr cent on all taxes

paid before the first day of November, and that all taxes shall be collected before the first day of January 1893

Voted 13 That the action relative to supplying Fuel for the town schools shall be the same as last year, as follows
Voted that the fuel to be used in the town Schools the ensuing year, shall be taken from the town farm, and shall be paid for from the money raised for the support of schools the ensuing year

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Voted to take up the article 15th Voted that the same action in regard to the Treasurer hireing money be taken as was taken last year as follows
Voted that the Treasurer is authorized with the approval of the selectmen, to hire such amounts of money as may be needed from time to time to pay demands against the town that may be made upon him. In anticipation of the taxes of the ensuing year and payable therefrom

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Voted 16 To raise One Thousand Dollars to be used in reducing the town debt

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Voted to take up Article 14 Voted to accept the following named persons as suitable for jurors James P Cleaveland William H Anderson Daniel W Conant Alonzo J Henley Albert G Hurlbutt David M Cole Hiram N Towne George W Chadwick John T Twisden

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Charles Perley Alvin F Marden
Edward E Pearl Albert G Huntoon
John T Wood

Voted to take up Art 18

Voted to divide the money that may be refunded on account of Dog Tax. equally between the two Libraries in town

Voted to take up Art 17th

Shall licenses be granted for the sale of Intoxicating Liquors in this town the ensuing year. The register of the Ballot Box when the first ballot or vote was presented indicated ooo and the Ballot Box was empty. at the close of voting the register on the Ballot Box indicated 62 votes and the check list indicated 63 votes Upon opening the Ballot Box it was found to contain 63 votes the register attached to the Ballot Box had failed to record one vote that was cast. The ballots were sorted counted and declared as follow (yes five) — (No fiftyeight)

Voted to take up Art 20

Voted that Twenty Dollars be allowed to Captain E L Hooper to be expended by him in repairing Bald Hill road

Voted 21

That the town shall print annually the names and numbers of books added to our libraries, the previous year

Voted 22

To abate that part of the tax set to Benjamin P Hale in list of 1891 as relates to Eighteen Thousand Dollars worth of personal property

1892

Voted 23 That the followings bills of charge be allowed

Town of Boxford To F A Howe Dr
for services as Town Clerk $37.80

Town of Boxford To John Parkhurst Dr
To services as one of the selectmen Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year $151.69

Voted That John S Dormans bill for milk furnished Mary Goodwin. be referred to the incoming Board of Overseers of the Poor $18.55

" " The Town of Boxford To Rufus W Emerson Dr
To services as selectman Assessor and Overseer of the Poor $100.00

The Town of Boxford
To Geo W Chadwick Dr
To services as selectman Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year including cash paid for car fare stationery postage &c in connection therewith $100.00

The Town of Boxford to Geo W Chadwick Dr
To services as Assessor taking valuation of Estates the past year $72.00
Also preparing copy of said valuation list for printer $8.00

The Town of Boxford to Ralph C Huse Dr
Medical attendance upon Moses Hill $10.00

Voted That the bill presented by J W Chadwick for money paid Samuel Clark on account of the town. be referred to the incoming Board of Selectmen Mr Chadwick stated that the correct amount of the bill is $19. instead of $21.92

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Voted to take up Art 25 — Voted to authorize the Selectmen to pay a bounty as follows for the evidence of the destruction of a woodchuck or a skunk within the township by a citizen of the town, satisfactory to the Selectmen, Viz for each woodchuck or skunk killed during the month of April forty cents per head, for each such animal killed during other months of the year twenty cents

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Voted to take up Art 6 — Voted that the action in regard to the Report to be made out by the auditors shall be the same as it was in 1890 as follows, Voted that the Auditors be requested to make out their report of all matters of interest to the town and cause the report to be printed so that copies of it may be distributed one week before the next annual town meeting is held. also that the warrant calling the next annual town meeting shall be printed in this report, and the Selectmen shall close all accounts on or before February 1st 1893 and have their books ready at that time for the Auditors to examine, It is further moved that the School Committee be requested to make out their report so that it may be inserted in the Auditors report

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Voted to take up Art 27 — Voted that the thanks of the town be extended to the ladies for the collation given in the lower Hall or Banquet Room

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Voted — That the thanks of the town be extended to the Moderator for the faithful and impartial manner in which he has presided over the meeting

Voted — To dissolve the meeting — Attest A. A. Howe Town Clerk

1892

At a legally called meeting of the inhabitants of the town of Bofford legally qualified to vote at Elections and in town affairs. Held at the Town Hall of said town on Saturday April 2d 1892. The following record was made

Chose Francis J Stevens } Moderator

Voted To rescind the vote whereby the town at the last annual meeting voted to pay a bounty for the destruction of noxious animals

Voted That the bounty for the destruction of noxious animals (that have been killed up to this date April 2d) shall be paid out of the money raised at the last annual meeting to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the town the current year

Voted To indefinitely postpone Artice 4th of the warrant

Voted That the Selectmen shall attend to the grading of the grounds around the Town Hall, and all expenses therefor shall be paid from the money raised at the last annual meeting to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the town the current year

Voted Not to assume the debt on the Piano which is in the Town Hall

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Voted Not to refund the money to Walter G Smith which he paid on account of taxes assessed to him in the years of 1887. 1888. 1889. 1890.

Chose William K Cole } 3d Selectman
To fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of George B Austin

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Voted Not to choose an Auditor to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of William K Cole

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Chose Stephen K Fowler } A Committee on the School Fund

Voted That the Selectmen shall procure Earth Closets for the Town Hall

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Voted That the thanks of the town are due Augustus E Bachelder, for his generous gift to the town of the land on which the Town Hall was built

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Voted That the thanks of the town are due John Parkhurst Esquire for the interest that he manifested in soliciting subscriptions of money which was used to aid in building our Town Hall

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Voted To Dissolve this Meeting

Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

1892

At a legally called meeting of the inhabitants of Bofford legally qualified to vote at Elections and in town affairs. Held at the Town Hall of said Bofford on April 23d 1892 The following record was made

Chose Warren M Cole } Moderator

Voted Not to rescind the action whereby the town voted to rescind a previous vote to pay a bounty for the destruction of noxious animals

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Voted Not to assume the debt on the Piano which is in the Town Hall

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Voted That the Committee who purchased the Piano which is in the Town Hall may allow it to remain there free of any expense to them for storage. And the Committee may have the Town Hall at a nominal cost for the purpose of holding entertainments to raise money to be used in reducing the debt on this Piano

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Voted To dissolve the meeting

Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

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The following named officers were appointed by the Selectmen, as follows

April 14th William K Cole } Auctioneer

" John M Pearl
" William E Perley
" Warren M Cole
" Charles A Andrew
" S Frank Ayers
" Charles A Stetson
August 30th Albert H Towne
} Special Police Officers

April 30th George B Killam
" " " Charles A Andrew
} Inspector of Provisions and of Animals intended for Slaughter or kept for the production of Milk

Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

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Precinct Officers

Precinct One

Rufus W Emerson John Parkhurst	Wardens
Stephen A Bixby Frederic K Bremner	Inspectors of Elections
William W Howe Samuel A Frye	Deputy Inspectors of Elections
Francis J Stevens	Precinct Clerk

Precinct Two

Isaac C Day George W Chadwick	Wardens
William K Cole Edward C Pearl	Inspectors of Elections
John T Chadwick Nathan K Fowler	Deputy Inspectors of Elections
James H Webster	Precinct Clerk

Bofford October 5th 1892

Rufus W Emerson } Selectmen
Isaac C Day } of Bofford

Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

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To Frederick Howe town clerk
The following is the vote for officers at the first precinct in Bolton. Nov. 8, 1892.

Electors for President and Vice President.

Prohibition	Candidates	five	(5)
Democratic	"	thirty three	(33)
Republican	"	fifty three	(53)
Peoples Party	"	one	(1)
Blanks		three	(3)

For Governor.

William H. Haile of Springfield	fifty two	(52)
Walcott Hamlin of Amherst	three	(3)
Wm. E. Russell of Cambridge	thirty five	(35)
Blanks	five	(5)

For Lieutenant Governor.

James B. Carroll of Springfield	twenty nine	(29)
Edward Kendall of Cambridge	five	(5)
Roger Walcott of Boston	forty seven	(47)
Wm. J. Shield of Boston	two	(2)
Blanks.	twelve	(12)

For Secretary of the Commonwealth.

Charles S. Hamlin of Brookline	twenty eight	(28)
George Kempton of Sharon	one	(1)
William M. Olin of Boston	forty seven	(47)
Samuel B. Shapleigh of Boston	six	(6)
Blanks	thirteen	(13)

For Treasurer and Reciever General.

Gilbert D. Farnham of Somerville	four	(4)
James S. Grinnell of Greenfield	twenty six	(26)
George A. Warden of Lowell	forty eight	(48)
Blanks	seventeen	(17)

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For Auditor.

Alfred H. Evans of Ashburnham	five	(5)
John W. Kimball of Fitchburg	forty seven	(47)
Maurice W. Landers of Springfield	one	(1)
Irving B. Sayles of Milbury	twenty six	(26)
Blanks	sixteen	(16)

For Attorney General.

Charles S. Lilley of Lowell	twenty nine	(29)
Albert E. Pillsbury of Boston	forty seven	(47)
Robert F. Raymond of New Bedford	four	(4)
Blanks	fifteen	(15)

For Representative to Congress sixth district.

Elbridge G. Brown of Boston	one	(1)
William Cogswell of Salem	forty seven	(47)
John H. Davis of Haverhill	four	(4)
Henry B. Little of Newburyport	twenty eight	(28)
Blanks	thirteen	(13)

For Councillor fifth Dist.

Arthur B. Breed of Lynn	fifty one	(51)
Francis E. Hines of Salem	twenty seven	(27)
Blanks	seventeen	(17)

For District Attorney.

Robert E. Burke of Newburyport	thirty one	(31)
William H. Moody of Haverhill	fifty one	(51)
Blanks.	thirteen	(13)

For Sheriff.

William S. Hoyt of Lynn	twenty nine	(29)
Samuel A. Johnson of Salem	fifty two	(52)
Blanks	fourteen	(14)

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For County Commissioner.

William F. M. Collins of Salem	twenty eight	(28)
John M. Donforth of Lynnfield	fifty four	(54)
Blanks	thirteen	(13)

Special Commissioners.

George W. Blatchford of Rockport	twenty six	(26)
Nelson P. Cummings of Merrimac	forty four	(44)
Jeremiah J. Mehony of Lawrence	nineteen	(19)
Thomas F. Pedrick of Lynn	thirty four	(34)
Blanks	sixty seven	(67)

For Commissioners of insolvency.

Benjamin C. Ames of Lawrence	forty five	(45)
William D. Chappel of Salem	forty three	(43)
Harry J. Cole of Haverhill	forty three	(43)
Fred A. Haynes of Haverhill	twenty seven	(27)
Daniel D. Sanders of Gloucester	twenty two	(22)
George L. Weil of North Andover	twenty three	(23)
Blanks	eighty three	(83)

For Senator fifth district.

George E. Batchelder of Lynnfield	four	(4)
Samuel M. Brock of Lynn	thirty	(30)
Samuel L. Sawyer of Danvers	fifty	(50)
Blanks	eleven	(11)

For Representative in General Court 7th. Essex Dist.

Warren M. Cole of Boxford	thirty two	(32)
Gardner S. Morse of Boxford	fifty three	(53)
Horace Ray of Topsfield	three	(3)
Blanks	seven	(7)

Amendment to the Constitution

Yes. twenty one		(21)
No. fourteen		(14)
Blanks	sixty	(60)
Whole number of Ballots	ninety five	(95)

Attest Francis J. Stevens Clerk of Precinct 1.

A true copy attest F. A. Howe } Town Clerk

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Bofford Nov. 8 1892.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of Precinct two 2, qualified to vote as the law directs, assembled at the time and place and for the purpose therein expressed. At (10) ten O'clock A.M. the warrant calling the meeting was read by Precinct Clerk who then publicly opened the ballot-box and the same having been personally examined by the election officers and the public, was found to be empty. The ballot-box was immediately locked, the register indicating 000. and the key of the box was taken and retained by Charles F. Austin the Constable in attendance. The Precinct Clerk then called upon the inhabitants of said Precinct qualified to vote, to give in their ballots for the purpose expressed in said warrant. The ballot-box remained locked while the polls were open. At two O'clock and forty minutes P.M. the polls were closed. The ballot-box was found to register seventy four 74. The Officers in charge of the check-list in the presence of the other officers and the public counted in a distinct and audible voice the names checked on said list and announced the whole number to be seventy-four 74. The ballot box was then opened by the warden, without being removed from the public view, the ballots taken therefrom and audibly counted one by one and the Precinct Clerk publicly announced the whole number to be seventy-four 74. The precinct Officers then proceeded to count the number of votes received by each person voted for with the following result.

Viz: Electors of President and Vice President.

Bidwell and Granfill — Prohibition

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At Large	Prohibition	
John Bascom of Williamstown	" one	(1)
Richard W. Cone of Boston	" one	(1)
Dist. 1 Augustus R. Smith of Lee	" one	(1)
" 2 Charles G. Allen of Barre	" one	(1)
" 3 Charles B. Knight of Worcester	" one	(1)
" 4 Edmund M. Stowe of Hudson	" one	(1)
" 5 Varnum Lincoln of Andover	" one	(1)
" 6 George H. Hoyt of Haverhill	" one	(1)
" 7 George M. Buttrick of Everett	" one	(1)
" 8 John S. Prince of Cambridge	" one	(1)
" 9 James M. Gray of Boston	" one	(1)
" 10 Henry W. Shugg of Boston	" one	(1)
" 11 Charles C. Bragdon of Newton	" one	(1)
" 12 William H. Phillips of Taunton	" one	(1)
" 13 Robert R. Sherman of New Bedford	" one	(1)

Cleveland and Stevenson Democratic.

At Large		
Patrick A. Collins of Boston	" twenty one	(21)
John E. Russell of Leicester	" twenty one	(21)
Dist. 1 James M. Clark of Holyoke	" twenty one	(21)
" 2 John B. G. Donnell of North Hampton	" twenty one	(21)
" 3 Charles Haggerty of Southbridge	" twenty one	(21)
" 4 Charles J. Williams of Acton	" twenty one	(21)
" 5 Peter H. Donohoe of Lowell	" twenty one	(21)
" 6 James F. Dean of Salem	" twenty one	(21)
" 7 Samuel K. Hamilton of Wakefield	" twenty one	(21)
" 8 Ferdinand F. French of Winchester	" twenty one	(21)
" 9 Edward J. Flynn of Boston	" twenty one	(21)
" 10 Josiah Quincy of Quincy	" twenty one	(21)
" 11 Robert Blakie of Hyde Park	" twenty one	(21)
" 12 Joseph L. Sweet of Attleborough	" twenty one	(21)
" 13 John H. Coughlin of Fall River	" twenty one	(21)

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Harrison and Reid Republican.

At Large.

Nathaniel P. Banks of Waltham " forty-nine (49)
John D. Long of Hingham " forty-nine (49)
Dist. 1 Joseph Griswold of Greenfield " forty-nine (49)
" 2 George W. Johnson of Brookfield " forty-nine (49)
" 3 Edward B. Glasgow of Worcester forty-nine (49)
" 4 Henry A. Goodrich of Fitchburg " forty-nine (49)
" 5 Peter D. Smith of Andover " forty-nine (49)
" 6 Frank Cousins of Salem " forty-nine (49)
" 7 George W. Walker of Malden " forty-nine (49)
" 8 Edward Glines of Somerville " forty-nine (49)
" 9 Jonathan A. Lane of Boston " forty-nine (49)
" 10 John Shaw of Quincy " forty-nine (49)
" 11 John R. Bullard of Dedham " forty-nine (49)
" 12 Benjamin S. Lovell of Weymouth " forty-nine (49)
" 13 John Simpkins of Yarmouth " forty-nine (49)

Weaver and Field People's Party.

At Large

Edward Bellamy of Chicopee "
George F. Washburn of Boston "
Dist. 1 Irving M. Miller of Pittsfield "
" 2 William C. Talor of Orange "
" 3 Lot Berry of Spencer "
" 4 Asa F. Hall of Hudson "
" 5 Hiram W. K. Eastman of Lawrence "
" 6 J. B. Woodfin of Marblehead "
" 7 J. E. Clements of Lynn "
" 8 Anthony J. Philpott of Arlington "
" 9 Henry Lemon of Boston "
" 10 George J. Moulton of Boston "
" 11 Erastus L. Metcalf of Franklin "
" 12 Thomas S. Hodgson of Middleborough
" 13 Frank E. Peck of Wareham "

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Wing and Matchett Socialist Labor.

At Large.

Jacob Thomas of Springfield " "

Dist. 1 Augustus Kleiner of Adams " "

" 2 " "

" 3 " "

" 4 " "

" 5 " "

" 6 " "

" 7 Patrick F. O'Neil of Boston " "

" 8 Nathan Stahl of Boston " "

" 9 J. Robert Simmons of Boston " "

" 10 Emil Roers of Boston " "

" 11 Thomas Mooney of Boston " "

" 12 " "

" 13 " "

Governor of the Commonwealth.

Whole number of votes for Governor seventy four (74)

William H. Haile of Springfield Republican fifty (50)

Walcott Hamlin of Amherst Prohibition one (1)

Squire E. Putney of Somerville Socialist Labor

William E. Russell of Cambridge Democratic twenty (20)

Henry Winn of Malden Peoples Party Blanks three (3)

Lieutenant Governor.

Whole number of votes for Lieutenant Governor seventy-four (74)

James B. Carroll of Springfield Democratic. Twenty (20)

Edward Kendall of Cambridge Prohibition one (1)

William J. Shields of Boston Peoples Party

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Charles H. Wentworth of Lynn Socialist Labor
Roger Wolcott of Boston Republican
Forty-six (46)
Blanks seven (7)

Total number of votes for secretary seventy four (74)
Charles S. Hamlin of Wrentham, Democratic
nineteen (19)
George Kempton of Sharon Peoples Party

Frederick A. Hagler of West Springfield
Socialist Labor one (1)
William M. Olin of Boston Republican
forty-five (45)
Samuel B. Sharpleigh of Boston, Prohibition.
one (1)
Blanks eight (8)

Treasurer and Receiver General
Total number of votes for Treasurer and Receiver
General seventy-four (74)
Wilbert D. Farnham Jr. of Somerville, Prohibition.
one (1)
James S. Grinnell of Greenfield, Democratic
Eighteen (18)
George A. Marder of Lowell, Republican.
forty-eight (48)
James R. Hugent of Boston Socialist Labor

Thomas A. Watson of Braintree Peoples Party

Blanks seven (7)

Auditor
Total number of votes for Auditor seventy-four (74)

Alfred H. Evans of Ashburnham, Prohibition
one (1)

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John W. Kimball of Fitchburg, Republican
forty-seven (47)

Maurice F. Landers of Springfield Peoples Party

Michael Lynch of Boston Socialist Labor

Irving B. Sayles of Millbury, Democratic
twenty (20)

Blanks six (6)

Total number of votes for Attorney General
seventy-four (74)

Charles S. Lilley of Lowell, Democratic
eighteen (18)

Herber McIntosh of Worcester, Peoples Party

Albert E. Pillsbury of Boston, Republican.
forty six (46)

Robert F. Raymond of New Bedford, Prohibition
two (2)

James Waldock of Boston, Socialist Labor,
Blanks eight (8)

Representative in Congress

Total number of votes for Representative in Congress, 6th Dist.
seventy-four (74)

Elbridge Gerry Brown of Boston Peoples Party.

William Rogerwell of Salem, Republican
forty-nine (49)

John H. Davis of Haverhill, Prohibition
one (1)

Henry B. Little of Newburyport, Democratic,
nineteen (19)

Blanks five (5)

1872.

Councillor Fifth district.
Total number of votes seventy-four (74)
Arthur B. Breed of Lynn, Republican
Forty-six (46)
Francis E. Hines of Salem. Democratic
Eighteen (18)
Blanks Ten (10)

District Attorney eastern district.
Total number of votes seventy-four (74)
Robert E. Burke of Newburyport. Democratic.
Seventeen (17)
William H. Moody of Haverhill Republican
Forty-nine (49)
Blanks Eight (8)

Sheriff. Essex County.
Total number of votes seventy-four (74)
William S. Hoyt of Lynn. Democratic.
Eighteen (18)
Samuel B. Johnson of Salem Republican
Fifty-one (51)
Blanks Five (5)

County Commissioner of Essex
Total number of votes seventy-four (74)
William F. M. Rollins of Salem. Democratic.
Nineteen (19)
John M. Danforth of Lynnfield Republican
Forty-six (46)
Blanks Nine (9)

Special Commissioner of Essex
Total number of votes seventy four (74)
George W. Blatchford of Rockport. Democratic.
Seventeen (17)
Nelson P. Cummings of Merrimac. Republican.
Forty-one (41)

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Jeremiah J. Mahoney of Lawrence. Democratic
Sixteen (16)
Thomas F. Redrick of Lynn. Republican
Thirty-three (33)

Commissioners of Insolvency. Essex
Total number of votes seventy-four (74)
Benjamin C. Ames of Lawrence. Republican.
Forty-three (43)
William D. Chappel of Salem. Republican
Forty-three (43)
Harry J. Cole of Haverhill. Republican.
Forty-four (44)
Fred A. Haynes of Haverhill. Democratic.
Eighteen (18)
Daniel D. Saunders of Gloucester. Democratic.
Sixteen (16)
George L. Weil of North Andover. Democratic
Twenty (20)
Blanks Thirteen (13)

Senator. Fifth district.
Total number of votes for Senator seventy-four (74)
George E. Blatchelder of Lynnfield. Prohibition
Three (3)
Samuel M. Brock of Lynn. Democratic
Seventeen (17)
Samuel L. Sawyer of Danvers. Republican.
Forty-eight (48)
Blanks Six (6)

Representative in General Court 7th Essex District.
Total number of votes seventy four (74)
Warren M. Cole of Bradford. Democratic.
Seventeen (17)
Gardner S. Morse of Bradford. Republican
Fifty-three (53)

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Horace Ray of Topsfield. Prohibition. Two. (2)
Blanks Two (2)

Amendment to the Constution Yes and No.
Shall the proposed amendment to the Constitution abolishing the property qualification for the office of Governor be approved and ratified?
The number of votes for Yes. Twenty-three (23)
The number of votes for No. Thirteen (13)
Blanks Thirty-eight (38)

The ballots were sorted, counted, recorded, and declared in open Precinct Meeting. Then by a vote the meeting was dissolved.
A true copy of record.
Attest James H. Webster
Clerk of Precinct 2. of Boxford. Boxford November 8, 1892.

A true copy attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

November 16th 1892 The Selectmen and Town Clerk of Boxford assembled this day and recounted the Ballots cast for Governor and for Senator in 5th Essex Senatorial dist in said town on November 8th 1892 and find a gain of two votes for William H Haile of Springfield for Governor And a gain of one vote for Samuel L Sawyer of Danvers for Senator 5th Essex District

Attest F A Howe } Town Clerk

This may certify that I have this 23d day of February 1893. destroyed the Ballots cast in the two precincts at the State & National election held in November 1892 F A Howe Town Clerk

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November 18th The Town Clerks of Topsfield Boxford Groveland and Georgetown met at the Town Clerks office in Georgetown this day to ascertain who was chosen as Representative to General Court in the 7th Essex District and the following is the result of the canvas

Warren M Cole had in	Boxford Votes	49
" " " " " "	Topsfield "	43
" " " " " "	Georgetown "	212
" " " " " "	Groveland "	219
		523

Gardner S Morse " "	Boxford "	106
" " " " " " "	Topsfield "	111
" " " " " " "	Georgetown "	276
" " " " " " "	Groveland "	185
		678
		523
Gardner S Morse has a plurality of		155

Horace Ray of Topsfield had in	Boxford Votes	5
" " " " " " "	" Topsfield "	18
" " " " " " "	" Georgetown "	7
" " " " " " "	" Groveland "	11
		41

Gardner S Morse has a Majority of 114
and is elected to represent this District in the General Court during 1893

Attest F A Howe Town Clerk

(Note) Warren M Cole and Gardner S Morse are residents of Boxford

1893.

At a legally called meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Bolton, legally qualified to vote at elections and in Town affairs Held at the Vestry in the Second Parish in said Town of Bolton on Monday the sixth day of March 1893 it being the annual Town meeting.

The following record was made.

Chose — Edward E. Pearl } Moderator
Oath administered by John Parkhurst esq. in open Town meeting.

Chose — John W. Parkhurst } Town Clerk
Oath administered by Edward E. Pearl esq. in Open Town Meeting.

Voted — That Rev. C. L. Hubbard be invited to unite with the people in prayer, and he came forward and offered prayer.

Chose — Isaac C. Day } First Selectman.
John Parkhurst } Second "
Hiram N. Towne } Third "

Voted — That the Selectmen shall be the board of Assessors of taxes and Overseers of the Poor the ensuing year.

Chose — Albert H. Towne, Charles F. Austin } Constables.

Chose — Edward E. Pearl } Treasurer.

Voted — To choose but one Auditor

Chose — George B. Parkhurst } Auditor

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Chose — William H. Keys, A. G. Hulbert, S. W. Howe } Field Drivers

Chose — John M. Pearl, Charles Perley, George Lowery } Field Drivers.

Chose — S. W. Howe, S. A. Bixby, John Parkhurst, Geo. P. Frame, George W. Twitchell } Surveyors of Lumber

Chose — J. Horace Mason, John M. Pearl, Warren M. Cole, John T. Wood, C. F. Austin } Surveyors of Lumber.

Chose — John W. Parkhurst, Samuel P. Peabody, George P. Frame, Alvin Marden, A. G. Hurlbert } Surveyors of Wood and Bark

Chose — John M. Pearl, Warren M. Cole, J. Horace Mason, Albert P. Howes, Gardner S. Morse } Surveyors of Wood and Bark

Chose — Edward E. Pearl } Collector of Taxes.

Voted — That the Selectmen shall be Fence Viewers

Voted — That the Selectmen shall appoint a sealer of Weights and measures.

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Chose — Henry Moulton, Alden Spofford } Pound Keepers.

Chose — Edward E. Pearl } School Committee for 3 years.

Voted — To instruct the School Committee not to choose a Superintendent of Schools.

Voted — To accept the report of the Town Clerk.

Voted — That the Clerk be thanked and that his report be spread on the records of the Town.

Voted — To lay Art. 5 on the table until after accepting the Auditor's Report.

Voted — To accept the Auditors report.

Voted — That the action of last year in regard to the compensation of Town Officers shall be adopted this year as follows:-

The Treasurer and Collector shall receive one hundred dollars. The Road Commissioners shall be paid two dollars a day while in actual service. The pay for the men whom they employ to work on the roads, and for the teams and implements to be used thereon, shall be paid at the same rate as was paid last year, as follows.

For a man fifteen cents an hour while in actual service, and for a yoke of oxen twenty cents an hour, and for a plow a cart and or shovel, five cents an hour for each one.

And while pathing snow, a man shall be allowed twenty cents an hour and for a yoke of oxen, twenty cents an hour and for a pair of horses thirty cents an hour. It is further moved that in repairing the highways there

shall be allowed for a single horse twenty cents an hour and for a pair of horses thirty cents an hour. That all other bills shall be allowed by the Selectmen; except their own bills for services rendered to the Town; these bills must be brought before the Town to be allowed.

And it is further moved that the Road Commissioners shall at the end or close of each months work, hand in to the Selectmen a detailed account of all the work done on the roads during the month, how many men were employed the amount paid to each man; also the amount of money paid for repairs on the Road Machine, and all other matters needed in a detailed account. And the Road Commissioners shall not expend more money than the Town has appropriated for them until they consult the Selectmen and get their permission to do so.

Voted. Not to abolish the Board of Road Commissioners.

Chose. Henry Perley { Road Commissioner for 3 years.

Voted. To adjourn for one hour.

The Town reassembled at the expiration of one hour and proceeded to business.

Voted. That the Town Treasurer be instructed to condense the several notes held by the Committee on School Funds against the Town into one note.

Voted. To accept the report of the Committee on School Funds.

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Voted. To ratify all that has been done by the outgoing board of Selectmen and that the incoming board use their judgment in regard to the family of Dexter Kennes.

Voted. Art. 10.) That a separate motion ~~motion~~ be made in regard to the teaching of music in the Schools.

Voted. To raise fifteen hundred dollars ($1500.) for the support of Schools the ensuing year.

Voted. That two hundred dollars ($200.) of the fifteen hundred dollars raised for the support of schools be used for the teaching of music in the Schools.

Voted. To raise the sum of four thousand dollars ($4000.) to defray the necessary charges and expenses of the Town the year ensuing.

Voted. To raise the sum of fourteen hundred dollars ($1400.) to be expended for the repairs and amendments of the Highways and Bridges the ensuing year.

Voted. To pass over Article 13 for the present and take it up subsequently.

Voted. To leave the matter of raising any sum of money for repairs on the Bald Hill road in the hands of the Selectmen.

Voted. That the Selectmen be authorized to expend the money for repairs on the Bald Hill road.

Voted. To divide the money that may be refunded on account of Non-Resident taxes pro rata to the ~~[illegible]~~ school shares of the Town.

1895.

Oct. 16. Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors on this Town the ensuing year. The results of the ballot was when the first ballot was ~~made~~ cast, indicated 200 and the Ballot Box was empty. At the close of the voting, the regulator of the Ballot Box indicated 15 votes, and the check list indicated 41 votes. After opening the Ballot Box it was found to contain 41 votes, the regulator attached to the Ballot Box had failed to record 2 votes that were cast.

The ballots were sorted, counted and declared as follows (Yes 7) (No 40)

Voted (Yes 2 No) That the votes relative to supplying meat for the Town Schools shall be the same as last year.

Voted That the votes relative to making the roads passable when encumbered with snow, shall be the same as last year, as follows: That the Road Commissioners shall act as they think best in regard to making the roads passable when incumbered with snow.

Voted. That the Taxes shall be committed to the Collector the same as last year, as follows:

That the Taxes shall be committed to the Collector on or before the first day of September next. And that a discount of five per cent be allowed on all taxes paid before the first day of October, and one per cent on all taxes paid before the first day of November, and that all taxes shall be collected before the first day of January 1896.

Voted. To lay Oct. 21 on table

1893.

Voted. To accept the following named persons as suitable for Jurors.

Lewis J. Stone	Stephen K. Fowler
Johnson Snowden	Henry M. Williams
Ralph A. Emerson	William Lindsey
S. Frank Lane	Silvanus Shedd
Elliot E. Cutlett	Benj. F. Hall
Ezra W. Williams	J. Henry Jones
Henry Jones	Thomas M. Cole

Voted To reconsider the vote on Art. 18 and that the vote to adopt the same method in regard to supplying the Town Schools with fuel as last year.

Voted That the fuel to be used in the Town Schools the ensuing year, shall be taken from the Town farm and shall be paid for from the money appropriated to defray necessary charges and expenses of the Town for the ensuing year.

Voted. To authorize their Treasurer to hire money under the direction of the Selectmen in anticipation of taxes for the ensuing year, and payable therefrom.

Voted. To pass over Art. 23.

Voted. To accept Mr. Stephen K. Fowler's resolutions which are as follows.

Whereas Frederick A. Howe, of the East Parish in Boxford, has for four years (1889, 1890, 1891, 1892,) served as Clerk of the town of Boxford with singular fidelity and success, and Whereas, Mr. Howe declined to allow the use of his name for re-election

Resolved, that the Town of Boxford publicly expresses its confidence in Mr. Howe and the deep sense of obligation it is under for his

continued, his patient and persistent efforts which have made the records models of accuracy and neatness. Resolved, that these resolutions of respect and approval be transmitted to Mr. Howe in writing by his successor in office. Resolved, that these resolutions be spread on the records of the town.

Resolved, that the town Clerk of Boxford offer these resolutions for publication in the Georgetown Advocate, and the Salem Gazette.

Voted That the Selectmen be instructed to order the laying of the track of the Haverhill and Salem Electric Railway through this Town over the following described highway.

Beginning at the boundary line between Boxford and Georgetown northeasterly of the residence of Alvin S. Marden, thence past the residence of Albert E. Peabody, past the residence of Miss M. J. Perley, past the first Congregational Church to the residence of Elbridge Hutchins, thence past the residence of Solomon W. Howe, past the residence of John S. Dorman, William Goodwin, William H. Shiles and Charles W. Ingalls to the boundary line between Boxford and Topsfield.

Voted. To instruct the Selectmen to invite the Essex Agricultural Society to hold a meeting the coming season in Boxford.

Voted To take up Art. 2.

Chose John Parkhurst { Committee on School Funds

Voted That five Hundred dollars be raised to reduce the Town debt.

Voted. That a vote of thanks be extended to the Ladies of this Parish for the dinner they have provided.

Voted That the School Committee be instructed to hire Miss Spofford to teach music in the Town Schools

Voted That the thanks of the Town be extended to Mr. Pearl (the Moderator) for the faithful manner in which he has presided over this meeting.

Voted. That the following bills of charge be allowed.

Town of Bolton to Rufus W. Emerson Dr.

To services as Selectman Assessor and Overseer of the Poor	$97.00
To stationery, postage, expressage and travelling expenses	$13.10
	$110.10

Town of Bolton to Isaac C. Day Dr.

To services as selectman Assessor Overseer of the Poor and Board of Health the past year	$79.00

Town of Bolton to W. K. Cole Dr.

To services as Selectman Assessor and Overseer of the Poor the past year including cash paid for Stationery postage and Justice fees	$47.50
To services as registrar of voters	6.00
To services as Inspector of elections	2.00
	$56.00

Town of Bolton to F. A. Howe Dr.

To services as Town Clerk the past year including cash paid for Justice fees and Express charges on Books etc.	$36.80

1893.

The following is the report of the Town Clerk, that the Town voted to place on the records of the Town.

The undersigned begs leave to make the following report upon the subjects herein named

Births.

I have recorded during the year 1892 nine births as compared with fourteen last year. Six female children and three male children. The births occured in the following named months, one in January, one in April, three in May, one in June, one in July, one in August, one in October. The birthplace of the fathers; four in Boxford, one in Canada, one in Chelmsford one in Boston, one in Charlestown, one in Limington Maine. The birthplace of the Mothers; two in Georgetown, one in Canada, three in Boxford, one Prince Eduds Island, one Lawrence, one Sackville N.B.

Marriages.

It will be remembered that our continued existance as a corporate body has heretofore been considered somewhat precarious on account of the inactivity of Cupid and although I have recorded during the year 1892 but six marriages as compared with eleven marriages last year, yet four of the couple who have been joined in marriage have concluded to make Boxford their abiding place as compared with one couple who did so last year, so it will appear that although our record falls far short of the number of marriages recorded in 1891 yet we manage to retain many more people in 1892 than we did in 91. In connection with this part of my report I beg leave to say that in the early part of the fall I issued a marriage certificate to a couple and also entered in the book of

Intentional Marriages their declaration that they intended to begin the journey of life together but this was a case evidently that ended as it began simply with good intentions for the certificate of marriage that issued never came back, never came back. The marriages that I recorded in 1892. occured in the following named months, one in February one in March, one in May, one in September, two in December.

Residences as follows. In three instances Bride and Groom both of Bedford, in one instance Bride and Groom both of Yalmouth. In one instance the Bride Boston the Groom Bedford. In one instance the Bride Bedford the Groom Boston. Although there are seven resident Clergymen in town yet in one instance a Justice of the Peace was called upon to solemnize a marriage, perhaps it may be well to petition the Governor and Council to appoint several more Justices so that the present officials may not be overtaxed in this occupation should cupid become more active.

Deaths.

I have recorded 23 deaths during the year 1892. as compared with 29 deaths last year. The deaths were in the following named months. 8 in January, 4 in March, 1 in April, 2 in May, 1 in June, 1 in August, 1 in September, 1 in October, 2 in November, 2 in December.

The ages as follows. One was 45 days old, one was 20 years 6 months 28 days, one 45 years, one 53 years 5 months 16 days, one 54 years 1 month, one 54 years 7 months, one 65 years 1 month, one 65 years 9 months 15 days, one 61 years 1 month 21 days, one 68 years 7 months 23 days, one 7 years 11 months 22 days, one 72 years 8 months 1 day.

one 73 years 1 month 29 days, one 73 years 7 months 27 days, one 77 years 1 month, one 78 years 28 days one 80 years 1 month 23 days, one 87 years 7 months 9 days, one 88 years 3 months 17 days, one 88 years 6 months 4 days, one 89 years 1 month, one 89 years 10 months 5 days, one 91 years 4 months.

The Diseases or cause of death in one instance accidental drowning, and the remaining deaths resulted from the various diseases that flesh subject to of a less frightful nature. Place of burial.

One in Sudbury Plain, one in Bolton, one in South Framingham, one in Georgetown, nine in the First Parish, ten in the Second Parish. We cannot learn from year to year the very high death rate in this our town without more or less concern as to what the result will be to us as a corporate body. Each recurring census shows that we number less and less. But we need not consult the census, we are constantly reminded of the state of affairs by the deserted farms and growing villages that greet our eyes as we traverse the paths, lanes and highways of our town; over these villages there once stood houses and in them we raised large families of children; they subsisted on the produce of their farms and the income realized from the flocks and herds that grazed upon our numerous hills and valleys. In looking over the records I find that many families numbered 7 and 8 children respectively, some numbered 10 others 12, one or two families 13 each, and one family numbered 15 children; what would the heads of the families of that time accomplished if they had stood aghast when they found themselves surrounded by a family of only two or three children. What would we say of the fortitude of these men who

exhibited such strength and firmness of mind and soul, that enabled them to meet all adversity without murmuring depression or despondency. They toiled but their toilsome years did not subdue their spirits, or when the time came for them to smile they did smile with telling effect. Allowing that they were more robust vigorous people than we are, what ought to be expected of us who have the benefit of the most perfectly constructed farming implements, and is ever that can be made. It would seem as if ingenuity had been taxed to its utmost in perfecting farming tools, of all kinds, to say nothing of the labor saving machinery of our time.

Can we sing too loudly the praises of the men who have gone before us, when we consider what they accomplished while laboring under adverse circumstances and in perilous times. Will they not use an indictment against us, if we allow this land to become useless waste. What can be done to dispel from the minds of the rising generation the thought that nothing can be accomplished in Bedford. What can be done to stop the flight of our young men who at the age of 21 years or even before this seize their valise and flee to some distant city or town to seek a fortune.

Can there not be some encouragement given to our young men to remain here. I have sometimes thought that it might be well for the town to hold out inducements for manufacturers of any legitimate kind of goods to establish their business here, by agreeing to exempt their property from taxation for the space of ten or even twenty years, according to the number of operatives that might be

employed. If we could succeed in this undertaking there would then be a home market for farm produce and we then would see our town dotted throughout with farm houses.

And we ought to take steps at once in this direction by choosing a committee to go out among some desirable manufacturers and invite them to establish their business here, and should there be a response to their invitation let us sincerely pray that the owners of land may be reasonable in their demands.

Oath of Office.

Although all the officers who were chosen at our last annual meeting were notified by the Town Clerk to qualify by taking the oath of office to which they were chosen yet none of those who were chosen failed to meet the requirements of the law. I am gratified to find that there is some improvement in this respect as the number who usually failed to respond heretofore has been 14 or 15.

Records.

I would once more in this my last report urge upon the town the importance of recording every birth that takes place in the Period.

I am impressed with the great importance of this by the experience that I have had during the past four years, for I have seen people greatly troubled to find that the names of some of their children were not recorded. It would give me great pleasure if the parents of all the children that have been born since January 1st 1893 would send into the present Town Clerk the name of the child and the date of its birth their own names and their respective places of birth

1893.

Famous Trees.

There has been no additional entries in the book of the Famous Trees of Bedford during the year 1892. It is to be hoped that if any more Famous trees are discovered that due notice will be given to the Town Clerk who will see that a proper record is made of them. I noticed that favorable mention was made by the press in regard to the action of our town in establishing this record.

Dogs.

This very important subject requires a great deal of thought to properly present before any deliberative body. I find in an experience of four years, that many men have many minds upon this subject, while some men believe a dog to be the most intolerable nuisance that man ever tolerated, others believe the dog to be paramount to all other animals; and I will here state that my experience leads me to believe that a dog is of very doubtful utility. During the four years that I have issued licenses to lengthen out the days of this animal I have noticed that it has been somewhat erratic at times.

At one time we would be disturbed by the cry of mad dog, while journeying through our town, liable at any time to have the poisonous fangs of some unwise cur who was foolish enough to imagine himself the victim of hydrophobia, imbedded in our limbs; of course no harm could come to us unless we should be so unwise as to imagine ourselves the victims of hydrophobia and finally work ourselves into a sort of a frenzy and end the scene in dissolution.

At one time a flock of sheep were almost completely annihilated. Indeed the sheep industry is about driven out of the land by

this animal, how will it do to raise flocks of dogs instead of flocks of sheep and thereby increase the revenue from this source, for the greater number of dogs there would be an increased revenue to help support the Schools or Libraries, as the town should determine. If the dog industry should become an established ~~industry~~ business here it would, as we journeyed through our town from place to place be greeted by the howls of scores of yelping curs; at first these sounds might be somewhat disturbing to us, but as we become accustomed to them they will seem like the sweetest music of a thousand tuneful harps. I find that there is already an increased number of dogs in town, for I have received $159.00 for issuing licenses to owners the lists of 62 male dogs and 7 female dogs as compared with $147.00 last year, for issuing licenses ~~last year~~ for 61 male dogs and 5 female dogs. It will be seen that there are two more female dogs and one more male dog than existed last year. Undoubtedly the revenue from this source will be greater than ever before during the year 1893.

F. A. Stone Town Clerk

Bedford Mar. 6th 1893.

Voted That the meeting be dissolved.

Attest: John W. Parkhurst, } Town Clerk.

1893.

The following named persons were appointed by the Selectmen of Bofford as follows.

Charles A. Andrew George B. Killam	Inspectors of Provisions and of Animals intended for Slaughter, or kept for the Production of Milk.

Attest J. W. Parkhurst
Town Clerk.

Election Officers 1893.

Precinct One.

John Parkhurst A. G. Hurlbutt	Wardens.
Francis J. Stevens Chester Killam	Clerks
Fred E. Gillis	Inspector
Samuel A. Frye	Deputy Inspector.
Hiram N. Towne	Inspector
Rufus W. Emerson	Deputy Inspector.

Precinct Two.

Isaac E. Day John T. Chadwick	Wardens
Edward E. Pearl Warren M. Cole	Clerks.
William K. Cole	Inspector.
J. Henry Mason	Deputy Inspector
Nathan K Fowler	Inspector
Walter T. Chadwick	Deputy Inspector.

John Parkhurst Hiram N. Towne	Selectmen of Bofford

Attest J. W. Parkhurst
Town Clerk.

Warren M. Cole was appointed by the Selectmen as Road Commissioner in place of J. Warren Chadwick resigned. March 1893.

As the town of Boxford took no note (in its corporate capacity) of the 200th anniversary of its incorporation, of course no account of the celebration as got up by individuals, can properly have place in the town records; but as quite interesting exercises in commemoration of this event were held in the First Parish August 12. 1885 it was thought that some account of the same should be preserved with the town records that might some day be of interest to those who come after us. and with this view the adjoining account from the Salem Gazette of August 14. 1885. written by the junior Editor Hon N. A. Horton who was present on the occasion, is attached to this more book.

Levi Newman

Boxford Mass 1893 Town Clerk

THE BOXFORD BI-CENTENNIAL.

The two hundredth anniversary of the town of Boxford occurred on Wednesday last, August 12. For about half a century previous to its distinct incorporation, it was a part of the parent town of Rowley. Boxford is composed of two distinct villages known as the east parish and the west parish, and which are about five miles apart. But the two parishes appear to live very pleasantly together, and we are not aware that there are any discords between them. As this interesting anniversary came round an effort was made to inaugurate a celebration under the auspices of the town and at the expense of the town treasury. For some reason, or combination of reasons, this effort failed, quite as much perhaps from lack of interest on the part of those who opposed it as from any other cause. There were those, however, in town who were not willing the occasion should pass without some kind of an observance. At one time, and quite recently, it looked as if the movement would fall through; but a few active spirits in the east parish, with a few actively co-operating in the west, made a combination which finally carried through a very appropriate, tasteful, and becoming celebration. As the earliest settled part, and the earliest formed religious parish, the exercises were held in the east part of the town. The west parish, however, came over in large numbers in conveyances of various kinds, bringing with them the Groveland Brass Band, which was one of their own contributions to the festivities, to say nothing of what they contributed that was valuable in the addresses. It was a topic of common remark among the east parish people that those from the west parish had shown a very commendable public spirit and interest in the old town by the very hearty manner in which they had co-operated. The spirit of brotherly fraternity shown by these two sections, so far apart geographically, was very pleasant to witness, and indicated that it would be a long time before the General Court of Massachusetts would be troubled with any application for a town division, notwithstanding the prevailing fashion of these days in that particular direction.

FLAG RAISING.

The first exercise in the morning was at about half past nine o'clock. It consisted of the raising of a fine American flag on a new flag staff which had been erected on the triangular green in front of the old Holyoke mansion. There was, from time to time, the firing of a cannon both preceding and after the event. When the flag went up cheers were given with as much spirit as could be expected considering the extreme heat of the day, and the Groveland Brass Band played the "Star Spangled Banner." There was but one speech on the spot when the flag took its place at the mast-head; and that was by Mr. GEORGE W. CHADWICK, chairman of the Selectmen, who resides in the west parish. Among other things he said the town was rich in historical associations and that she should not be allowed to go into her dotage. The loyalty of the town is historical and is not to be measured by the length of a flag staff. Our boys should be taught to think of their parents and grandparents and of those who came before. He also referred to those hardhanded sons of toil who had remained upon the farms of their fathers, and who, for so doing, are entitled to distinction and honor.

AT THE CHURCH.

At the close of these exercises a procession of the citizens was formed and marched to the church preceded by the band. Here other exercises were held which continued from ten o'clock until half-past one. The proceedings opened with a voluntary on the organ by Mr. JAMES H. HOWE, professor of music in a university at the west. A large choir then united in singing "The Star Spangled Banner." The Rev. Mr. ALCOTT then stepped forward and introduced the Rev. WM. SYMMES COGGIN — a man who had been identified with the town for fifty years and in whose name was commemorated that of the first minister of the parish (Rev. Thomas Symmes.) Mr. Coggin accordingly came forward and assumed the duty of chairman, first inviting the Rev. Mr. CRAWFORD, of the parent church at Topsfield, to offer prayer, which he did.

OTHER SPEAKERS, ETC.

Dr. FRANCIS J. STEVENS, Superintendent of Schools, spoke with reference to the educational interests of the town. He alluded to the ear appropriations for schools, and noted the subsequent progress and establishment of districts. He addressed the young people more particularly, telling them how much their forefathers thought of education, and exhorting them to keep in mind a love for their good old town.

Professor JAMES H. HOWE, a native of Boxford, and now of Depauw University (a Methodist institution of Greencastle, Ind.), was then asked to sing a solo, and he gave, to organ accompaniment, a piece entitled "The Warrior Bold."

The Rev. DAVID BREMNER was then introduced, not as a native, but one who chose a wife here. Mr. Bremner said that no subject had been assigned to him; but, referring to the local allusion, said there were two persons who had Essex county on the brain; "one is Dr. Loring and the other my wife." He made a pleasant passing allusion to the quietness of the town, which was rarely disturbed except on the fourth of July, when the boys sometimes got hold of the bell-rope, and when our postmaster, who survives through all changes of administration, lets off his fireworks. Mr. Bremner alluded to the flag-raising, and spoke very pertinently of what the flag signified and typified in the public life.

The Rev. WILLIAM P. ALCOTT, Mr. Kendall's predecessor, spoke on the men of note connected with Boxford—the eminent residents and natives. We publish Mr. Alcott's paper in full on the second page.

Mr. STEPHEN PEABODY, of Newburyport, a former teacher here as well as in the city where he lives, was next called. Mr. Peabody said that he lived here till he was thirty-one years of age, and that a thousand recollections clustered around him. He said those who make history do not very often write it. He thought the first settlers were not very zealous in the cause of education, and among many other things he spoke of the town of Boxford as having been inhabited very largely by a well-to-do class of farmers.

CONCLUSION.

After this the chairman made no further formal introduction of speakers, but Rev. Mr. KENDALL made an explanation regarding the old Holyoke house, and at some one's request, Mr. DANIEL WOOD, of West Boxford, the oldest citizen of the town, stood up to the view of the audience and said he was ninety-two years and six months of age, and that he had great cause of gratitude to God. Mr. Wood looked like a man much younger. Prof. I. N. CARLETON, of Bradford, was also called out and made a nice little speech. Mr. Carleton is principal of Home and Day School for Boys in Bradford, and was formerly principal of the Normal School for Boys in Connecticut. Choir and audience then united in singing "Auld Lang Syne," and the Rev. Mr. COGGIN pronounced a benediction.

This closed the formal exercises. On the green in front of the church and under the shadow of the trees, a basket picnic was then held, the audience lingering for some hours, partaking of refreshments, listening to the music of the band, and some visiting the public library, which was open to inspection. At the dinner-table there was a great abundance of good food; and the open-handed hospitality for which this town has always been distinguished, was very apparent and added much to the pleasure of the strangers who were present.

MR. COGGIN'S INTRODUCTION.

Mr. COGGIN then offered a few remarks by way of introducing the proceedings, saying that though there had been no appropriation of money, yet it had been thought well to recognize the many memories of the town. He facetiously observed that the time when Boxford will become a city seemed at present quite remote, but it will be well to remember that Boxford to-day has a population four times as large as at the time of its incorporation. He likewise alluded to the excellent water power of the town and also to its match-factory, as one of its industries, taking occasion to observe humorously that there was a good field here for the enlargement of the match-making business, by the introduction of a kind of matches that had no friction, and this subject he commended to the consideration of the people. As illustrating the healthfulness of the town he said that no doctor could live here by exclusively town patronage; and, in illustration of its peaceful and law-abiding character, no lawyer could thrive by the employment to be found here. He said there was a literary and moral atmosphere pervading the town and that there were six resident clergymen (it was afterwards stated privately that there were seven) in the town and also two or three lawyers and as many physicians among the summer residents. The town had never been wanting in patriotism, and eight of its citizens laid down their lives at Bunker Hill. At the conclusion of Mr. Coggin's remarks the band played "Nearer my God to Thee."

THE NEW ENGLAND TOWN.

The Rev. CHARLES L. HUBBARD, of West Boxford, was then introduced to speak on the subject, "The New England Town," and he made a very excellent address, considering these democratic municipalities not as the work of chance, but as the result of the prudence and wisdom of their founders. He traced the genius of self-government in the stock from which we sprung. In the new world we reared a system founded upon civil as well as religious freedom. He contrasted our New England form of government with that which prevails at the South and West, where the county and not the town is the territorial unit. Here in New England is to be found the nearest approach to democratic government to be found within the country. He quoted as the town maxim, "where the laws are administered there are they made," and also the words of John Adams, that "in the towns of New England is the key of American history." The soul of democracy was in the formation of a civil body politic. The General Court gave to outlying districts the power of regulating their own affairs. He traced the evolution of the principle of representation, with the town meeting as an adjunct, all questions being admissible and every one having the right to bring them. He gave Mr. Perley, the historian, credit of bringing out valuable facts throwing light upon the history of the town warrant, especially in the fact that formerly it was the duty of the constable to go around from house to house, notifying the people of the time of meeting and of the subjects that are to come up. The system that has come down to us embodies the same ideas that prevailed at the beginning. The lines of town and parish in the early days generally coincided. He made reference to the very pleasant relations that existed between West Boxford and Boxford, which, though geographically as far apart as two towns, nevertheless are cemented by memories which they would not relinquish. He spoke of the schools and of the attention always given to that article in the warrant which relates to that subject. The town is a general educator in the principles of self-government, and he considered the further possibilities of towns in the future in absorbing the new and dangerous tendencies which are brought in by elements which have not been educated in the school which founded our present system. In laying down the democratic principles on which our system is built, the founders of the town of Boxford did their part.

THE FIRST FIFTY YEARS.

SIDNEY PERLEY, Esq., author of the "History of Boxford," was then called upon to say something about the history of the town during the period from the first settlement to its incorporation. Mr. Perley said he believed it was in January, 1876, that he first went to Mr. Ancil Dorman, the town clerk, to look over the records in search of "solid facts" for the town history. In that first period of 50 years of which he was to speak, Boxford was a dense wilderness. He then proceeded to speak of Indian trails, particularly of one extending from Haverhill to Salem, through Georgetown, Boxford, Topsfield, etc. He spoke of the signing of the old deed by the Indians, in which "rum enough" was one of the essential considerations of the transfer. He passed in review some of the early settlers of the first half century, and gave some reflections upon their character, qualities and religious devotion. He spoke of the business of the place, the clearing of the forest undoubtedly being the first work. He spoke of the name given to the town, there being two Boxfords in England, about as far apart as the two parishes of this town. From one of these the Rowley minister came, and there is every reason to believe that the town was named in honor of his English dwelling place. Mr. Perley also reviewed the military history of Boxford, in relation to the French and Indian, and later wars. In the war of 1812 twenty men were drafted, but he doubted if they went farther than Salem in the service, Boxford being a Federal place and not much in sympathy with the political ideas that they supposed to be at the bottom of that conflict — this last observation not being in the speaker's words. There is a house in West Boxford from which no less than nine men went forth to the late war. The following are the early settlers who were passed in review by Mr. Perley, and the places where they are known or supposed to have settled:—

EARLY SETTLERS.

Abraham Redington, 1645, settled at the Daniel S. Gillis place, (now "hotel Redington.")

Robert Andrews, 1656, settled below W. I. Smith's, almost to the Topsfield line on the Topsfield road.

John Cummings, 1658, settled near Israel Herrick's.

Robert Stiles, 1659, settled at what is now Deacon John K. Cole's.

Robert Ames, 1660, (the first settler in the West Parish) near the residence of the late Capt. Enoch Wood.

Joseph Bixby, 1661, settled at what is now Israel Herrick's on the Georgetown road.

William Foster, 1661, settled at the Dean Andrews place, near Solomon W. Howe's. He kept the first hotel in the town.

Robert Smith, 1661, who lived at the Nathaniel Smith place on the Topsfield road, where now nothing but a cellar remains. He was the ancestor of Joseph Smith "the Mormon prophet."

Zaccheus Curtis, 1662, who resided in the woods about half a mile west of the residence of the late Francis Curtis.

Capt. John Peabody, 1663, settled at the residence of the late Deacon Julius A. Palmer, on the Lawrence road.

Samuel Symonds, 1663, who resided at the spot now known as "the Symonds cellar" in the south part of the town, near George W. Twitchell's.

THE BOXFORD CHURCHES.

The Rev. R. R. KENDALL followed Mr. Perley with a history of the First Church, finding it necessary, for lack of time, to abridge considerably the paper which he had prepared. In the course of what he said he called attention to the fact that the petition for township rights was in church and parish interests. He also alluded to the fact that the church at Topsfield was organized in 1663, and that the first minister, Rev. Mr. Gilbert, accepted his call only on the condition that Boxford would aid in his support. At the organization of the Boxford church eleven men took letters from the Topsfield church, ten women being the next to follow, and afterwards others. The special fact he endeavored to impress was, that zeal for the house of God was the origin of the town of Boxford.

Rev. CALVIN E. PARK, of West Boxford, then read a concise history of the church in that part of the town, saying that Dec. 9, 1736, was kept as a day of fasting and prayer as preliminary to the formation of the church, which had no set creed at the beginning. He gave a succinct acount of the various ministers of the church.

TREATMENT REPORT
February 2007

TOWN MEETINGS
1857-1893
BOXFORD, MA

Condition on receipt: Book in original cover. Binding and sewing deteriorated. Paper acidic, weak at folds, some tears at edges.

Treatment: Book dismantled and binding materials removed. Paper mended with Japanese tissue or Crompton heat set tissue. Paper deacidified using magnesium oxide. Book resewn and bound in Hewit vegetable tanned goatskin and acid-free materials.

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